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THE CHAPEL DEDICATED.

SOME INFORMATION CONCERNING THIS SPLENDID EDIFICE

Which Was Dedicated March 23, 1898, at Tuskegee, Alabama—The Distinguished Visitors Present—The Building Erected by the Students.

Tuskegee, Ala., March 26, 1898.—Tuskegee has long felt the need of a chapel for its religious services and annual assemblies. For many years a large, low-roofed wigwam, with ground floor and backless seats, has served all the purposes necessary. This great need has now been supplied by Northern friends who donated the chapel which was dedicated Wednesday, March 23, 1898.

This building has been erected almost entirely by student labor. All the drawings, specifications, etc., were made by Mr. R. R. Taylor, the instructor in architectural and mechanical drawing; all the brick that have been used were made by students, under the direction of Mr. William Gregory, a Tuskegee graduate, who has charge of the brick-making department; all the brick masonry and plastering were done by students under the direction of Mr. J. M. Greene, the instructor in this department; all the painting and oil finishing have been done by students under the direction of Mr. J. C. Green, the instructor in house and carriage painting; all the woodwork was done under the supervision of Mr. Wm. Watkins, a colored contractor of Montgomery; the steam plant for heating purposes was installed by Mr. H. E. Thomas and the boys under him in the foundry, plumbing and machine departments; the electric lighting was introduced by Mr. A. U. Craig, the school's electrical engineer and the boys of that department. General supervision of the whole construction has been under the direction of Mr. J. H. Washington, the Superintendent of Industries.

The Tuskegee method is to allow students to acquire a knowledge of their several trades while working on these buildings, pay their board and get their education at the same time. This is especially helpful to those who come and find themselves unable to pay any part of their tuition. In the present matter for instance: The money given for the chapel has given students an opportunity to learn plastering, brick-masonry, brickmaking, painting, etc., at the same time attending night school helping themselves and providing the chapel.

The plan of the chapel is that of a Greek cross, the main axis extending from northeast to southwest.

The extreme dimension from northeast to southwest, extending through nave and choir is 154 feet 6 inches. The dimension from northwest to southeast through transepts is 106 feet. The roof is of the hammer beam construction. The clear span of the main trusses is 63 feet, which is the width of the nave and transept.

The angle trusses have a clear span of 87 feet, projections from the walls under trusses slightly decreasing the span.

The gallery on back is 30 feet wide, extending over girls' cloak-room and 12 feet into main auditorium.

In the rear are choir room, study for minister and two small vestibules—one on either side of chapel, giving entrance to choir room, study and main auditorium. A large basement is provided and in this the steam heating plant is located. At the Northeast end of the auditorium is the pulpit platform which is large enough to seat the entire faculty of eighty-eight members. This platform is 2 feet 6 inches above the main floor. Immediately behind this and elevated three feet above it, is the choir stand with seating capacity for 150 persons.

The church is sufficiently supplied with windows that give abundant light and ventilation—a very pretty effect being secured by the use of delicately tinted colored glass.

The woodwork is all yellow pine and hard oil finish, except the floor, which is oak. The seating capacity of auditorium is 2,400.

1,200,000 brick are used in the construction—all made and laid by students. All the mouldings, casings and caps used were made by students.

The floor is bowled. The height of the walls from top of floor is 24 feet 6 inches; from floor line to highest point of ceiling 48 feet 6 inches. The height of tower from line of ground to top of cross which terminates it is 105 feet.

The electric lighting will be from three main chandeliers with thirty lights each; 10 of two lights each; 12 of one light each and from a reflecting disc of 40 lights over the choir stand.

The dedicatory sermon was preached by the Rev. W. S. Rainsford, the renowned pastor of St. George's Episcopal church. New York City. The exercises of the dedication were in charge of Rev. E. J. Penney, the school's chaplain and dean of the Phelps Hall Bible Training school. The singing by the choir and school was of a very high order and was under the direction of Messrs. Chas. G. Harris and Wm. G. Hurley, the musical directors. Rev Mr. Gudger, of the A. M. E. Zion church, and Rev. Dr. Powers, of the Episcopal church, Montgomery, conducted the Scripture reading. Rev. C. O. Martindale, of the Presbyterian church, Tuskegee, invoked the divine blessing. Mr. Penny gave a pleasant word of introduction, showing the timeliness of the building, and how he believed it had come as an answer to many prayers. Mr. Washington spoke of the building as the center of the school's work, and incidentally referred to the help it had afforded a larger number of students to get an education and to learn trades at the same time, during the nearly two years of its construction. The address of Dr. Rainsford was wholly along the lines of helpfulness. With strong practical words he made the occasion not an ecclesiastical one, but one for teaching the much needed lessons of the hour. They will stay in the hearts of the people and bear fruit in all the details of their lives. Both north and south will bless the visits to this section of such large hearted and generous spirited men as Dr. Rainsford. Tuskegee has been very fortunate all through its history in the distinguished characters that have visited it, but never more so than to-day. The occasion was a notable one and was graced by the attendance of the donors of the building and many other friends from the North and surrounding sections.

It seems hardly possible that this building in almost every detail the work of students' hands. It hardly seems possible that so massive, so beautiful and so useful a building could have grown so quietly and almost unconsciously upon the grounds. The and difficult work is almost splendidly demonstrated in this building. It answers many questions in a most practical way. No one need again ask, "Have we Negro architects or Negro builders?"

H. A. LOVELESS,

Owner of the Most Successful Enterprises of Montgomery, Ala.

Mr. H. A. Loveless, the giant business man of Montgomery, was born in Bullock Co., on Mr. K. T. Jones', his ex-master's plantation, about two and one-half miles beyond Union Springs, Ala., Nov. 24, 1854. Born of slave parents and in a slave state, he was reared in the ordinary manner of a slave. On this plantation he remained, doing work as a farm hand, until 1869, when he came to Montgomery, his present home. Here he found employment as a common laborer for several years, until '73, when it dawned on him that life should mean more than mere existence. A year later, he married Miss Lucy Arrington, who has proven a wife indeed. Having saved most of his small earnings which he had received, he now rented a stall in the city market, and began in a small way what has grown to be a very successful business. Succeeding in the butcher business, in 1891 he decided to open other businesses as well. Then appeared "Loveless' Coal and Wood Yard," which is now sustained by the best citizens, both white and colored.

Today Loveless' Undertaker's establishment and his Hack and Dray lines are in high favor in the city. In the getting of real estate as well as personal property, he has lost no time whatever. In spite of these "hard times," Mr. Loveless is giving employment each week to from forty to fifty workmen. These include book-keepers, collectors, managers, laborers and the like.

Before we close let us call atention to Mr. Loveless as a Christian worker. One might get the idea that with so much business, a man would not have time to attend prayer meetings and church services, but such is not the case. Mr. Loveless is one of the leading deacons of the Dexter Ave. Baptist Church, and the church has no member more zealous and faithful; no citizens enjoys more confidence than this humble, unassuming servant of the King. In spite of the fact that this business man has gathered together more than twenty thousands of dollars worth, he carries a life insurance of many thousands as well. Thus you see that he is seeking to provide for his aged mother, his wife and three children, should they survive him.

Mr. Loveless is very fond of saying: "I have done and am only doing what hundreds of my race can and ought to do." In this way says he, "we are living to some effect and helping to solve the Negro problem."

H. A LOVELESS.

Breifs.

Chillicothe, Mo., Special.—Easter services were held at the A. M. E. church, of which C. V. Page is pastor, the choir under the leadership of Prof. Herriford is a success. * * Prof. Beach's school closed on the 8th. * * Prof. Nelson Crews, of Kansas City, is visiting friends and relatives. * * Charley Clark has returned from Carrollton. * * The Garrison school is preparing for their annual concert under the direction of Prof. Herriford. * * You will always find The Freeman at the Two Jim's barber shop.

Notice.

Lexington, Va., Special:—The first anniversary of the dedication of the First Baptist Church, Lexington, Va., was held March 22-30, 1898. During which time an excellent program was rendered. March 25, at 8 p. m. consecration sermon was preached by Rev. F. P. Saunders, district missionary. March 27, at 11 a. m., sermon by J. W. Patterson; B. D. March 27, at 3 p. m. sermon by P. L. Lewis, B. D.; March 27, at 7:30 p. m., sermon by J. W. Patterson, B. D.; March 29, 30, at 7:30 p. m., sessions of New Era Institute, conducted by the general and district missionary. The choir rendered music each night after the session of the Institute. Collections amounted to $300.-80. * * Rev. Chauncey I. Withrow, former pastor of the Randolph St., M. E. church, has been removed to Pittsburg. Penn. The congregation of the First Baptist church feels sure of the devoted pastor, W. T. Johnson, B. D., for a while longer, as he has purchased an attractive home on lower Randolph St. When congregation and pastor work in union and harmony, success is the inevitable result. No church or pastor can prosper pulling in opposite directions. * * The Epworth Leaguers held a literary entertainment Tuesday night, April 12, 1898. * * Many of our vailant-hearted young men are boldly begging to be excused in case there should be war between the United States and Spain.* * The funeral of William P. Cleveland, of this place, who died in the city of Philadelphia, April 2, 1898, was held in the First Baptist church of which he was a member. He also was a faithful member of the Grand United Order of Odd Fellows, by which society he was buried. * * A few of our worthy young men have endeavored to organize a society for the retainment of the character of our young girls and raising their social enjoyment to a higher standard, than promenading the streets, cake-walking and keeping late hours. May God speed the young men in this much needed step.

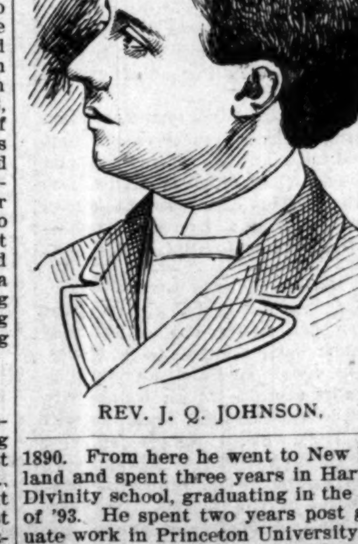
Interesting Items.

New Albany, Ind., Special: Miss Sophia Rickman who has been teaching school and whom we feared was lost in the great flood at Shawneetown, Ill., is safe. She will return home next week. * * Rev. S. C. Manuel spent last Duvall in a financial rally and baptiz- Sunday at Franklin, Ind., assisting Rev. Duvall in finncial rally and baptizing. Rev. Manuel was accompanied by his wife. * * Messrs. Chas Bray and Bro. Chas. Louis and A. Mitchem, of Corydon visited our city last week. * * The Mitchell's T. C. L. C., of Bethel A. M. E. church, of which Mrs. G. H. Ratliffe is President is making extensive preparations to entertain the State President, Rev. A. L. Murray, of Allen Chapel, Indianapolis, on the evening of April 21. * * Rev. M. Lewis, P. E. held his 3rd Quarterly meeting of this conference year at Bethel A. M. E. church last Sunday. Through the inclemency of the weather many came to hear the word of God delivered by this eloquent divine. Rev. Jackson preached an able sacramental sermon. Rev. Dorsey and Cherry were among preached an able sacramental sermon, Rev. Dorsey and Cherry were among the visiting pastors. The choir which bears a reputation as being one of the best in the Fall cities, rendered several new and beautiful anthems. * * Rev. J. E. Warren, pastor of M. E. church, has been assigned a charge in Ohio. * * Miss Blanche Rickman, who has been teaching school near Corydon is home.

Rev. J. Q. Johnson.

Rev. J. Q. Johnson, pastor St. John's A. M. E. church, Montgomery, Ala., the leading church of this connection in the State, is a native of Tennessee. He was reared in Nashville; went through the public school system, and graduated from Fisk University in the class of 1890. From here he went to New England and spent three years in Hartford Divinity school, graduating in the class of '93. He spent two years post graduate work in Princeton University. At one time he filled the chair of mathematics in the Tuskegee Institute, and was called from there to the Presidency of Allen University, Columbia, S. C. From the S. C. Conference he was transferred to the New Jersey Annual Conference and was stationed at Princeton two years. Rev. Johnson contributed a paper on the "Tuskegee Negro Conference" to the series of "Occasional Papers" published by the John F. Slater Fund. This same fund will publish another paper of his concerning the condition of the Negro in a certain Black Belt county.

As pastor of St. John's church, he has made the greatest report of dollar money in the State during the year 1897. The membership of the church was also increased by nearly 200 additions. Rev. Johnson married Miss Halle Tanner, daughter of Bishop B. T. Tanner. She was the first woman who ever practiced medicine in the State of Alabama, and is now the only woman physician in the State. She has charge of the Nurse training Department at the State Normal School. Her cut and sketch of her life will appear in a future issue of the Freeman.



REV. J. Q. JOHNSON.

Anderson Notes.

Anderson, Ind., Special:—Mr. Warner Richardson, of Richmond, spent Sunday with his wife and family. * * Bishop B. W. Arnett called on Rev. C. E. Allen Saturday. * * Rev. and Mrs. Allen spent a week with her grandmother, Mrs. Marrum Roberts in Noblesville. They returned Saturday. * * Miss Ethyleen Kersey is visiting her mother in Seymour this week. * * Mr. and Miss Judea, of Engel, called on Mr. and Mrs. Allen Saturday afternoon. * * The Ladies Helping Hand Society, will meet next Thursday afternoon. * * Mr. and Mrs. John Lampkin and Hope Hall, visited her mother at Anchorage, Ky., Sunday. * * Will Hood and Ira Modlin spent Sunday in Louisville, Ky. * * Rev. E. R. Lewis held Easter services in his beautiful new church Sunday, with a crowded house. Rev. Lewis is back for another year of which his congregation is proud. He will dedicate some time in May with Bishop Feroler, Dr. D. H. Moore and Dr. W. C. B. Mason. The Easter exercises by the children will be the 3d Sunday in April, postponed on account of the quarterly meeting here Easter. * * The Odd Fellows of Muncie will hold their annual sermon on the 1st Sunday in May. * * Dora Banks visited Marion Monday. * * Eugene Woods and Wilson, of Alexandria, visited here last week. * * Warner Brown, of the Capitol city spent Sunday with his friends in this city.

From West Virginia.

Huntington, W. Va., Special:—Wert Wilson died last week of consumption. * * Rev. Steele, who has been attending the A. M. E. Conference at Clarksburg, was welcomed into our city for another term. * * Jeff Odell came down from Parkersburg last week. * * Grant Hensley, Alex. Wilson and Will Blackenberry, departed Monday for parts unknown. * * Easter was generally observed Sunday at the various churches.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special:—Easter Sunday was appropriately observed at all the churches. The Knights of Wise Men held their annual Easter services at Wiley Memorial church. Rev. R. J. Buckner preached the sermon. * * The Immaculates will celebrate next Sunday. * * The colored presbytery was held here last week. * * Rev. W. R. Pittiford, of Birmingham, Ala., was in the city last week, and preached at the First Baptist church. * * Rev. J. A. Jones spent several days last week in Fayettville, seeing after some business affairs. * * Warren Chapel, A. M. E. church was beautifully decorated for Easter, and the Easter services were superb. The church was darkened by means of curtains, and the flowers and pictures displayed about the pulpit and on the walls produced a most pleasing and impressive effect. The church was lighted with colored candles and gas. Rev. Thorne preached at Warren Chapel Easter Sunday at 3 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. The weather was disagreable, but a large crowd was present. Twelve persons were baptized at the altar at Warren Chapel Easter Sunday, at the close of the morning sermon by the pastor.

Gleanings.

Logansport, Ind., Special:—Easter services were held at the A. M. E. church, Rev. G. R. Collins preaching. The Sunday-school under the leadership of Mrs. G. C. King and Miss Maud Winslow, rendered a fine program. * * Mrs. G. R. Collins and Miss Mary Allen read papers on Easter. * * Mrs. Jane Allen, Mrs. E. Winslow and Miss Maggie Brooks spent one day last week at Kenneth.

Newsy Items.

Chicago, Ill., West Side Special:—The Afro-American Information Society gave a minister's reception at St. Stephen A. M. E. church on the 11th. An address was made by Rev. B. H. Hillman, of Terre Haute, Ind. * * Special Easter services were held at the different churches Sunday.

COLORED VOTERS DEMAND

RECOGNITION— IMPORTANT DOINGS OF THE PEOPLE ON THE

Pacific Coast—A Company of "Sweet Angels"—A Real Estate Transfer—Compliments for The Freeman—Resolutions Passed

Los Angeles, Cala., Special:—It is with much sorrow we read the accounts of the death of our leaders—Langston, Cuney, Bruce. Whatever may be said against them thro' criticism, it must be admitted they were leaders of a pronounced type, who, through their own efforts and energy forced their way through every obstacle to positions of honor and respect, that had its effect in elevating the Negro Race. Who will take their places? * * * What a horrible report of lynchings, murder, burning to the stake, torture, outrage infinite! O, Lord, how long will this last? Where is the President, who will rise up in his might and crush down these hydra-headed demons? Will the government do anythting? The greatest question of all—what can be done about it? What can the community, the state, the government, the Negroes themseives, do to stop these wholesale slaughter of human lives? O, would the church and minister wake up and do their duty—proclaim from their pulpits without ceasing. Let there be such a mighty agitation against lynching until it be heard in heaven. The Negroes had better revive May 31st. as a day of prayer, to mourn in sack-cloth and ashes for deliverance. The sentiment against lynching is very high in this section. * * The T. C. Price Literary of the Zion A. M. E. church met last Friday night. They discussed the lynching of Baker and family and passed the following resolutions:

Whereas, mobbings and lynchings are a relic of barbarism, and twin sisters to anarchy, tyranny, a curse to civilization and a fatal step to the Christian morals of this nation; and,

Whereas, several States have failed to apprehend, catch and punish the leaders and members of such mobs, thereby causing an alarming increase in the awful curse and crime, also causing an indelible stain on the fair name of our country and the burning censure of civilized world; and,

Whereas, an honored American citizen in the discharge of federal duty was shot down, his family killed and maimed, we, the colored citizens of Los Angeles, denounce the unprovoked and cold-blooded assassination of Postmaster Baker, and family, the babe in arms, as the most revolting crime of the century; and,

Whereas, we solicit the hearty cooperation of the good white people of both the North and the South in creating a holy sentiment against mob law, mob violence and such like, and in favor of law and order, and we highly appreciate the humane and manly efforts of Col. Otis in Los Angeles "Times," and all other white people in defense of constitutional law and order and against mob violence and such like; and,

Whereas, the colored people of this country have always been loyal to the government as soldiers and citizens, thereby deserving the rights and protection accorded to other citizens in common.

Therefore, Be It Resolved:—That the protection of life and liberty of the people of this country are of more importance tothis government than the assertion of Cuba, or any outside concern.

And We Further Resolve:—That, as the colored citizens of Baltimore, Maryland, we believe Senator Tilghman, Congressman McLeran and Horton know much about the assassination of Postmaster Baker, and family, having petitioned the removal of said postmaster before the crime occurred; we, therefore, request that the authorities at Washington use their best endeavors to apprehend the guilty ones and severely punish them for their crimes.

Resolved:—That we, the colored people of Los Angeles City, Social, Fraternal, Religious, and Afro-American Leagues of the City and State, do unite and petition Congress to enforce observance and obedience to the Supreme Laws of this land, in the end that the colored citizens have protection to life and liberty in common with other citizens of this Republic.

They also passed resolutions of condolence on the death of Wright N. Cuney and B. K. Bruce. * * Your correspondent had the pleasure of listening to a sermon—"The Origin of the Negro Race," at the Plymouth Congregational church (white). God bless the Congregational church. They have always been friends to the Negro Race. Such burning words of truth and light concerning the Negro, his origin, his color, the prejudice—all so beautifully depicted from the Bible, that it seems there should not even be a prejudiced thought in the minds of men, or Chris-

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INTERVENTION OF CUBA.

EXTRACT FROM AN ADDRESS BY DR. FRANK J. WEBB,

Of Washington, D. C.—Delivered Sunday, March 27, 1898, in the First Baptist Church, of Georgetown, D. C.

For years I have been an ardent advocate of American intervention in this Cuban problem. With tongue and pen, in season and out of season my sympathies have always been with Gomez and Maceo and in favor of Cuban liberty. There are three reasons why we as a nation ought to intervene to stop thismurderous carnage. (1.) Commercial, (2.) Moral, (3.) Fraternal sympathy. In Cuba, Americanshave $50,000,000 capital invested. This ought of itself to be a powerful reason for intervention to stop this murderous war. In size Cuba is big as the state of New York, and her soil ten times as fertile. Twelve millions of people could find support upon her bounteous lands. She has seven harbors, the poorest of which is better than some of our best. The famous ElDorado is not so rich as are the mines of Cuba. She controls the Gulf of Mexico as absolutely as Gibralter does the Mediterranean. The Nicarauga Canal will belong to England absolutely if Cuba is not free, because Cuba is the half-way house of commercial prosperity between North and South America.

Jefferson said the mouth of the Missisippi must not be owned by foreigners. Commercial prosperity forbid it. Mississippi, in my humble opinion was not so essential seventy years ago as Cuba is to-day. Cuba is geographically and geologicallly an extension of Florida. It is but three hours' ride from Key West. It is the key to the commerce of the great Gulf of Mexico upon which soils the rich products of the Mississippi Valley which is soon to be tilled by 70,000,000,000 freemen. In five years the greater part of the trade of the country east of the Rockies and the Pacific coast, Japan, China and the Westerin Isles will pass upon its waters. Is it; can it then be a wise policy to allow foreign domination where independence, or the supremacy of American ideas is so much more preferable? Will such a course not jeopardize our commercial supremacy, or rather as much as we already have upon this Western hemisphere.

The courageous Cubans have illustrious examples when they burn their homes prefering a desolate wilderness rather than share them with the hated Spaniards. For did not the Russians put Moscow to the torch rather than see Napoleon conquer it? The brave dutch cut the dykes of Holland, welcoming a watery death in preference to Spanish success. These Cubans know that given the soil, a sky and independence Cuba will blossom like a rose. The patriotism of the island was with Maceo, is now with Gomez; the culture , the property of this Gem of the Antilles is for freedom. Every patriot is a Cuban. What American can question the right of these men to be free? Barbarity and brutality are the watchwords of the Spaniards. This island has been ravaged and drenched in blood by human brutes. Civilization revolts at the tales of authenticated outrages, assasinations and massacres culminating in the barbarous sinking of the Maine. Spain has demonstrated she has no rights we are bound to respect. She conducts war today just as she did four hundred years ago. Base, brutal and corrupt; she treats patriots as noble, brave and generous as those with Washington at Valley Forge, or Brandyvine, as if they were savage Sioux. Shall the descendants of the heroes of the Delaware and New Orleans stand idly by and forget what LaFayette and Rochambeau did for our struggling ancestors. The shades of Kosciusko and DeKobb must look down with horror and amazement upon us. Were our ears attuned to the voice of the other world we could hear this censuring comand: "As once we did for you do you now for these." Daily the cries of men women and children in bitterest anguish are wafted to us by the breezes of the Mexican Gulf. We can almost see our brave trustful fellow-countrymen blown heavenward by cowardly mid-night assassins; we can well nigh hear the wail of sorrow from all sections of our fair land which cursed Spanish treachery invoked. The Americans who have planted the leaves of freedom in the breast of Maceo, Micios, Gomez, Gorcema and other Cuban patriots will be lacking in generosity, in chivalry, in sympathy with American institutions against monarchy; with patriotism against oppression, if we forget the impulses of humanity, and fear war and tumult, more than we fear dishonor.

The administration has all along maintained a spedious neutrality; its enemies affirms its being pro-Spanish. The present laws and treaties compelled our neutrality heretofore. But does not rapacious and continued brutality invalidate treaties? Is there a canon of international law providing that a nation shall be insulted and remain neutral? Shall effete Spain "that pitiful anachronism, mislaid in the flight of the dark ages and left here to curse and horrify modern civilization" by inhuman warfare be allowed longer to shame our country? Does not civilization stand aghast at Spanish savagery? Are the patriotic impulses ofafreedom-loving people dead that they do not speak in thunder tones. Shall warm, generous hearted Americans hug our trade, count our gain and turn deaf ears to human anguish? We all remember how ardent, how splendid, how passionate, how spontaneous the patriotism of this country came to President Cleveland when he spoke with his customary statesmanship regarding British oppresion in Venezuella.

To-day we are equally as anxious to come to the aid of this administration in defense of national honor. We see a people only three hours distant from our shores struggling desperately, gallantly, passionately for freedom. They plead with us not as our forefathers plead with France for men, ships and money, but only for sympathy and recognition. They plead for bread; shall we give them a stone? Shall we fail to give encouragement to any people however dark, to any nation however weak under heaven fighting as only those worthy of it fight for liberty? Do not these people deserve to be free? Is it not to their honor that they have not made one single barbarous retaliation to Spanish cruelty and treachery? Sentimental humanity cannot regulate international law, but when men, women and children are murdered, their homes made smouldering heaps, when rapine runs rampant, do not the higher laws of God abrogate treaties and the laws of mankind? The cause of the illustrious Maceo is just: Cuban liberty is right. The opportunity for intervention is now. Shall the American people longer hear without hearing, see without seeing Cuba's heroism and valor; Cuba's suffering and anguish for Cuban liberty! God forbids and "Cuba will be free.

Last week Wm. McKinley, President of the United States proclaimed to the world that American honor was no longer an intangible something subject to barter and sale. His stand has the almost unanimous suport of the whites of this country. Every Americanregards his stand, though taken late and almost driven to it, as loyal and patriotic. The question comes home to us, what stand shall we black men of America take? Is to-day the day or this the hour for us to secure revenge for the lynching of so many of our forefathers and our brothers? Can we as American citizens bury our pride, our transcendent love of voice and fly to our country's rescue? Our forefathers marched to put down the rebellion 200,000 strong loyal to our country's flag. Are we to allow the cries and groans of our cremated brothers. our assassinated sisters to ascend to high heaven unavenged? Shall we not in time of war demand an eye for an eye, a tooth for a tooth?

No sir, I think I voice your sentiment my friends and beloved neighbors when I hurl such traitorous thoughts away in scorn and anger.

I think fellow citizens, in spite of trials and humiliations we love our country's flag. My feeble tongue voices the average sentiment of our race when I say 10,000 times "no" to any such revengeful idea. We are all Americans! There swells up from every breast, pours out from every patriotic heart assembled in this grand and magnificent church beautiful impassioned language of Ruth as our Race says to our Nation "For whither thou goest I will go; Thy people shall be my people and thy God, my God."

Newsy Items.

Demopolis, Ala., Special:—Lieut. B. F. Hoyt, who left Chicago in the fall of '95, for an extensive trip through England and Africa, has returned to America, bringing with him a fine collection of African curios, including large varities of war implements, hammocks, native-made cloth, fetishes, beautiful mats and numerous other things. Lieut. Hoyt and his estimable wife are touring the United States with their now famous exhibition and lecture, "Hoyt's Trip to Africa," which is making a big hit wherever they go. Indeed it is the only exhibition of its kind that has ever been brought to America. They are doing untold good in creating and fostering the true missionary spirit and in putting Africa both civilized and uncivilized in its true light before all peoples. They come with highest commendation from leading educators of the country, from men who stand high in matters of church and state as well as from noted African travelers, Bishop Turner, Bishop Small and others. Through the South audiences of both colored and white have looked on and listened with rapt attention. In spite of all preconceived ideas or prejudices one may have concerning present conditions in Africa they can but fade into insignificance after seeing "Hoyt's Trip to Africa." In their stead will come great admiration and sincere regard for our African brother in his manly struggle onward and upward.

The Hoyts exhibited in the Methodist conferences throughout Georgia and Alabama and are now exhibiting to large colleges and churches. They leave for points inNorth Alabama.

We think The Freeman a little wrong in its "race gleanings," when it says, "John H. Lawson is the only colored man in this country to possess a medal of honor from the United States government granted for distinguished bravery in action during the late war." If we mistake not, Sergeant-Major Christian Fleetwood, of the Fourth Maryland Regiment, now in Washington, D. C., bears a medal won by bravery on the field of battle.—Afro-American, Baltimore, Md.

A TRAINMAN'S RISKS

FIGURES WHICH GO TO SHOW THAT THEY ARE OVERESTIMATED.

Brakemen, and the Old Hands Among Them, Are Oftenest Victims—But the Statistics Quoted May Be Exceptional. Benefits From Safety Appliances.

It has been estimated, and, in fact, railroad men frequently make the remark, that the average life of a man actively engaged in train service is about seven years. In other words, that they are either crippled up so as to render them unfit for service again in a like capacity or are killed on an average in that time. It has been found by looking over the records of one of the leading railroads entering Louisville that this is untrue. During three years, on one of the busiest roads entering the city, there were only 2 killed and 158 injured, all of whom were brakemen except two, and they were freight conductors who had assumed the duty of brakemen; one by making a coupling and the other by assisting in unloading freight.

It would seem that inexperienced men would be most apt to get injured, but the figures show differently, as indicated by the following: Eleven, or 9.56 per cent of the total number of trainmen, were injured during their first year of service; 18, or 12.16 per cent, were injured who had been in the service two years; 15, or 11.11 per cent, had been in the service three years; 22, or 16.35 per cent, four years; 26, or 20 per cent, five years; 27, or 21.77 per cent, six years; 13, or 9.63 per cent, seven years; 5, or 3.90 per cent, eight years; 3, or 2.47 per cent, nine years; 5, or 4.16 per cent, ten years, and 12, or 8.89 per cent, over ten years, some of whom had been in the service 15, 18 and 22 years.

It will be noted that the largest average of injuries occurred after the employee had been in service six years, and the figures given would indicate that employees as a general rule are careful up to the time when they have been in the service three to four years and then become more careless until about their eighth year of service, when the indications show that they again become careful, as those who had worked over ten years have a very small comparative per cent of injuries compared with those who had worked six years. With the completion of the equipment of all box cars with automatic couplers, airbrakes, etc., the liability of a trainman being injured will have been reduced to a minimum, as the record goes to show that at least two-thirds of the injuries were caused by attempting to couple automatic drawbars with a link and pin to the old fashioned solid or skeleton drawbar, which is very dangerous even to the most experienced railroad man. Other causes were on account of uneven drawbars, some being as much as three inches higher than others. All this will be rectified with the law which requires all drawbars to be of a standard height. A great many trainmen were injured by stepping upon stones or links in jumping off to throw switches, etc., quite a number by being thrown off on account of the icy condition of the tops of the cars.

There was one case where a brakeman was standing near the end of a car when another cut of cars struck it, and he was thrown from the top of the car to the ground, alighting squarely upon his feet and "stoving him up" severely, as will be readily understood. A few were compelled to jump from the top of cars in cases of derailment. Others had their feet mashed by attempting to shove an automatic drawbar over a few inches to enable it to come more squarely in contact with the automatic coupler. This is one of the serious objections to the automatic drawbar—that it will not couple readily on a curve, and it is necessary for the trainmen either to pull one of the drawbars over or shove it over with their feet.

One of the most general causes of pinched fingers was on account of the pin failing to drop all the way down into the hole when coupling with a link and pin. The brakemen invariably reach over to give the pin a start so it will drop into the hole, when the cars frequently roll one way or the other just a few inches and catch the pin just before it gets all the way down, causing it to tilt back and catch the fingers between pin and end sill of the car.

A few were injured by holding the grab iron on the end of the car—recently added to all freight cars by an act of congress—and attempting to make the coupling when long lumber or bridge iron would be extending over the end of the car to be coupled to, and catch their hands between the timber and end of the car. However, this dangerous method of coupling cars together that have lading projecting over the ends of them will soon be a thing of the past, as it is becoming a general rule for all companies not to permit the loading of cars in this manner. Whenever there is long timber to load the companies require the use of two cars instead of one, as heretofore.

With the taking effect of the new law compelling railroads to have all cars equipped with automatic drawbars and have the drawbars of equal height from rails, the position of railroad brakeman will not be such a hazardous one.—Louisville Courier-Journal.

Death Grip on a Satchel.

James Whitcomb Riley, the great Hoosier poet, never burdens himself with much baggage while he is traveling. He once explained his views on baggage by saying: "I am continually haunted by the fear that my trunk will be lost, so I go about the country with a grip. I keep a tenacious hold on it all day long and never feel quite safe about it at night. In case there is ever a fearful railway accident, and among the debris is a valise with an arm attached to it firmly, they may bury it without further identification as the fragments of the Hoosier poet."

DOCTOR WAS IN LUCK.

How He Got a Quarter of Beef He Was In Want Of.

A prosperous Pittsburg physician, who resides in an aristocratic part of the city, related an experience he met with about a year after he had graduated from college. He was practicing in a small village in Indiana county about 18 miles from any railroad. He had been recently married, and in the struggle to make ends meet the prospect at times became very discouraging. It was during one of these depressing periods in the middle of the winter, with snow a foot and a half deep covering the ground, that he was called to attend a farmer who lived some miles away. The stock of provisions in the house was exhausted, and it seemed certain that the resolution that had been made by the young couple not to ask any one for credit must be broken. When the call arrived, the doctor was preparing to go to the nearest store to ask the proprietor to give him "tick" so that he could get something for breakfast. Instead of going to the store he mounted his faithful mare Molly and started off through the drifts to visit his patient. When the doctor rose to leave, after attending to the patient, the old farmer said:

"Doc, I ain't got no money, but if a quarter of beef'll do you any good I'll send it in when the roads git broke."

The young doctor's heart gave a bound. Concealing his exultation as best he could, he said: "What's the matter with me taking it right along? I was thinking of buying some beef, and this will come in handy."

The proposition was accepted, and the farmer's son helped put the quarter of beef across Molly's shoulders, and the homeward journey began. The mare was skittish, and the doctor had difficulty in keeping the beef from falling. Finally the mare shied at something, and away went the beef into a big snowdrift.

The doctor was a member of the Methodist church, and, according to his story, did not swear. He dismounted and endeavored to put the beef on the mare, but she wouldn't stand still, and after repeated attempts the task seemed a hopeless one. Thinking of the resolution, the young doctor set his teeth and tried again. This time he was successful. He felt like a conquering hero as he dumped the beef on the portico of his modest home about midnight. The faithful little wife was sure it was a dispensation of Providence, but the doctor, remembering his struggles at the snowdrift, reserved his opinion.—Pittsburg Dispatch.

DOMESTIC ECONOMY PUZZLE

She Could Get the Answer, but Still She Wondered.

A dear little woman up on Capitol hill married and went to housekeeping in the most determined manner. She set to work to keep an exact account of her expenditures, balancing her books regularly once a month. One of her earliest purchases was an ice ticket for the season. It cost, I believe, $10.

A month later, in making up her accounts, it occurred to her that that $10 should be divided proportionately among the several months mentioned on the ticket in order to give to each day's account only the amount of money actually expended on that day. Also she wished to calculate and set down the number of pounds of ice used each day. The problem had several ramifications which I have forgotten , but, at any rate, it was exceedingly difficult, and the housewife covered sheet after sheet of paper with her calculation. The arrival of her husband found her disheveled and in a state of evident distress.

"What in the world is the matter?" he asked. The wife explained.

"Well, can't you get any answer without that figuring?" he asked. The wife's eyes began to blink rapidly and she sniffed suspiciously.

"Oh, I can get an answer," she said, swallowing hard—"I can get a lovely answer, but I can't put it in my book because I can't tell—I can't tell whether it's days or ice or money."—Washington Post.

The Pony In Franz-Josef Land.

At an early stage in our journey our difficulties began. The pony broke loose the second night out, and, unfortunately, gorged herself with dried vegetables. These, together with dog biscuits and a few pounds of oats saved from the previous sledging, were her usual fodder, owing to the lack of legitimate horse food, which had quite run out more than 12 months before. As I expected, the surfeit of dried vegetables brought on a serious illness, to remedy which Armitage and I clubbed together the small supply of pills which we had with us. He produced, I think, two varieties of pills, and I had a number of podophyllin; so we made up a dose of 22 in all, which I administered to our invalid pony, mixed up in some frozen fat from our frying pan. This, I am glad to say, had the desired effect of at all events partly restoring her to health.—Geographical Journal.

Postage Stamps.

Stamps were put on the market in August, 1847, but were so little used that the government had to pass a law enforcing prepayment of postage, which went into effect in 1855. Before this action was taken scarcely one letter in a dozen was found with a stamp affixed Today the postoffices of the country sell 4,000,000,000 stamps (counting postal cards, stamped envelopes and stamps of all kinds), valued at $75,000,000, during a single year.

Many English accident insurance companies charge an extra premium when their policy holders travel in Canada or the United States.

The diamond mining companies of South Africa estimate their losses by theft at £1,000,000 a year, of which they recover about one-half.

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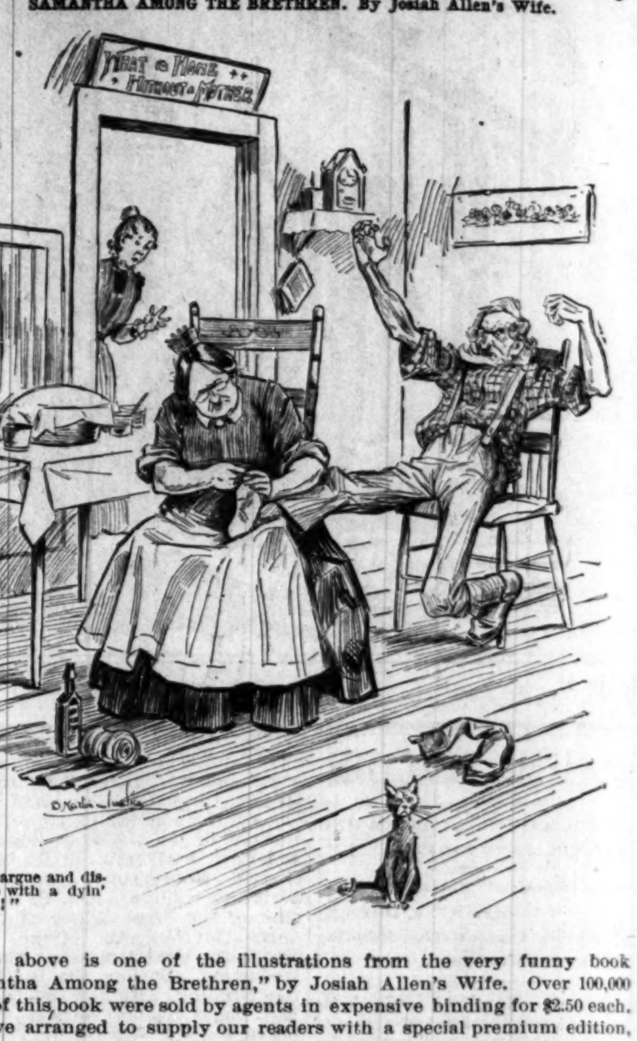
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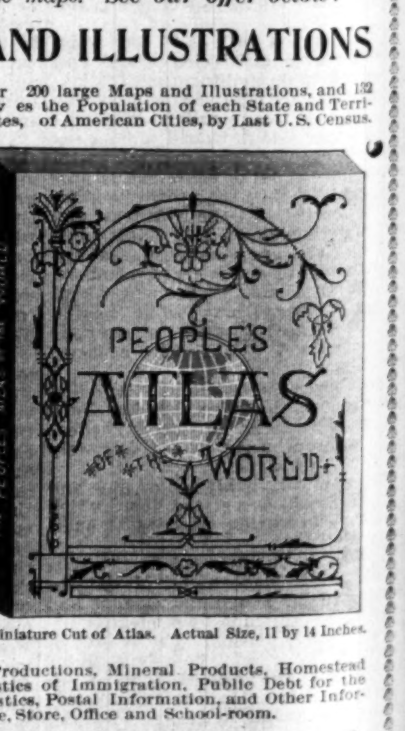

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ENDORSED—A ROMANTIC STORY OF A SOUTHERN SLAVE

Owner Remembered His Former Slaves—The Money Will be Devoted to the Educating of Colored Youth.

Simultaneously with a three-page account of the great flood that devastated the Ohio valley, March 23rd, the Ohio State Journal devoted nearly a half-column to a synopsis of Senator Lutz's Bill that puts into the treasury of Wilberforce University $6,646.27. Nearly a year ago, the existence of the fund was made known to the Executive Board of the University. President Mitchell immediately anounced that when the next legislature convened he would inaugurate a plan to secure it. The purpose was made known to the Trustee Board at its annual session in June, receiving its full indorsement with the authorization that the fund, when secured, should be applied to the erection of a young men's dormitory. Early in January, assisted by Hon. C. L. Maxwell, a bill was formulated and introduced in the Senate by Hon. Byron Lutz.

To the securing its passage President Mitchell devoted his constant personal atention, overcoming objections raised in both Senate and House and finally getting the measure passed without a dissenting vote.

This amount, with what had been granted in the University appropriation bill, makes the splendid total of $44,646.27 dedicated to education at Wilberforce University by the 73rd General Assembly of Ohio, exceeding anything hitherto done and attesting the supreme confidence of the State in this pioneer institution of the Race.

The following is taken from the Ohio State Journal, of Columbus:

MONEY WAS UNCLAIMED.

It Will Now be Devoted to Educating Colored Youth at Wilberforce University.

A ROMANTIC STORY.

How a Southern Slave Owner Sought to Remember some of His Former Chattels.

Behind Senator Lutz's bill, which became a law by the action of the House Wednesday afternoon, lies a nice story and also a fat sum of money. A man named Richard Randolph, a former resident of the state of Alabama, and who left that state long before the war and settled in Greene county, O., died near Xenia on Jan. 30, 1859. Deceased was a rank Abolitionist and when he left his native state liberated all his slaves. Some of them followed him to his new home in Ohio and they and their decendents to Greene and adjoining counties. Mr. Randolph died without heirs and left a will which divided his property among his former slaves. Those who could be found have long since received their share of the estate, which made a long and fruitless search for the other legatees. In accordance with law on Nov. 15, 1894, he paid into the Greene county treasury $1,315.20. On total of these Jan. 3, 1895, he turned in $3,531.07 and on Jan. 4, 1895, $1,800. The total of these sums is $6,646.27.

The money has been lying in the treasury ever since. It so happens that there is located in Greene county a school for the education of colored youth, known as Wilberforce University. Its resources are limited and it annually receives a small sum from the state for the support of the normal department. The institution is doing a good work for the colored race. It occurred to its friends that the money from the Randolph estate could be used to advantage and at the same time perpetuate the memory of the deceased benefactor. Accordingly a bill was drawn up and introduced by Senator Lutz, which provides that the treasurer of Greene county shall turn the money over to the institution, which shall place it to the credit of the endowment fund. The bill provides that in the event that the legatees or their heirs shall prove their claims within ten years the legacy shall be returned to them. If this is not done the money is to become the property of the institution.

Personal Mention.

Decatur, Mich., Special.—The Young Peoples' Literary and Debating Society met Thursday evening, March 29 and elected the following officers: President, Miss Eva Bradley; Vice-President, Miss Ella Mahoney; Secretary, Miss Grace E. Winburn; Assistant Secretary, Miss Cholie Cotton; Treasurer, Miss Leone Mahorney. The question for debate at next meeting is: Resolved, That the United States shall aid Cuba in gaining her independence. The cheifs are John Bradley, negative; Miss Grace Winburn, affirmative. * * Louis Brown and grandmother, Mrs. Lizzie Lowry, visited relatives in Cass county and Elkhart, Ind., this week. * * Will Bradley went Wednesday to Cassopolis to take teacher's examination where he intends to teach. * * Mr. and Mrs. Elsey West called in the latter's mother just before taking their departure to sail the coming season on Lake Michigan. * * Miss Pearl W. Winburn is on the sick list. * * The Misses Carrie and Bertha Bass have gone to Niles as the guests of Miss Nell Hill. * * Eli Simpson passed through this place Thursday en route to Benton Harbor. * * John Bradley is visiting in Benton Harbor this week. * * Miss Ollie Cooper returned to Kalamazoo the first of the week. * * Lill Brown and family soon leave to make their home in St. Joe. * * Theo. Lowry recently returned from Benton Harbor and reports lively times. * * Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bass visited relatives in Arlington and Lawrence last Sunday. * * Claude Lowry rides a new wheel. * * Bert Winburn visited his parents Saturday. * * James Cotton, who has been sick for a short time, is improving. * * Frank Bradley, of South Bend, Ind., was the guest at the home of Melm Bradley last week. * * Ed. Bass is in Benton Harbor this week. * * The Niles District Epworth League held its convention here this week. Delegates from all parts of Southern Michigan were present. * * Mr. and Mrs. Budd Evans have gone to Fountain City, Ind., to attend the golden wedding of Mr. Evans' parents. * * Mr. Penfield Stafford, of Battle Creek, was the guest at the home of Enos M. Winburn over Sunday. * * Rev. Martin, of Benton Harbor, preached at the Third Baptist church Sunday two very able sermons. * * Mr. Satters and son, of Almena, were guests of friends and relatives Sunday.

LOST RELATIVES.

Aunt Caroline and I were stolen from Louisville, Ky., when I was about eight years old, carried to New Orleans, La., and was bought by a man from Mississippi, whose name was Alvert Dorchy. He then moved to Texas, where I am now living. I left a mother and two brothers in Louisville. My mother's name was Mary Jones and my brothers, Richard and Squire Jones. I am now about sixty years old. Anyone knowing the whereabouts of any of the above named persons will do me a great favor in writing me.

Clarisie Jones, LaGrange, Texas.

A CORRECTION.

Editor The Freeman:—I desire in behalf of the Inter-collegiate Lecture, of Rodger Williams University and Central Tenn., College, to correct the untruthful and uncomulimentary denunciation of the address of Hon. C. H. J. Taylor, by the "Nashville Citizen." It is in the first place as the bureau desired, and entirely satisfactory to said bureau, and that we cared nothing for a verbose and high-sounding, empty address which the worthy editor of the Citizen desires. Mr. Taylor's argument was close and required close attention. Rather deep to the editor of the Citizen. That is why he denounced. Whenever the editor of the "Citizen," has got to place where he can make such an address as Hon. Taylor did, the bureau will then invite him to address them. The reason that I answer this denunciation of the Citizen, is that the bureau feels that it has been somewhat misrepresented.

R. E. Page, Sec'y. of Bureau.

LOST RELATIVE .

My owners name was Tom Newman, who lived in Orange county, Virginia. My mother was Kitty Porter, who died in 1873, in Alexandria, Va. My sisters are Charlotte Porter, May Porter, Tusey Long, Alice Long. My brothers are John Long, Morton Long and Peirce Long. Received a letter from my sister, Charlotte Porter, in 1870, from Alexandria, Va., informing me that my people lived in Tennessee. Address Caroline McCray, 313 Sanlinier-st., Houston, Tex.

HON. JUDSON LYONS.

Judson W. Lyons, of Augusta, Ga., was, on the 24th of March, nominated by President McKinley register of the treasurer. Thus Mr. Lyons succeeds the late B. K. Bruce. We congratulate Mr. Lyons on his appointment. He is in every particular qualified and will make a good officer.—The Christian Index, Jackson, Tenn.

Judson W. Lyons is well qualified in every way for the position as register of the treasury to which he has been chosen by President McKinley. But the Representative regrets and deplores those conditions south, that makes it impossible for the selection of colored men, owing to southern hatred, to important positions in their respective states. Judson W. Lyons should have received the postmastership at Augusta Ga., instead of leaving the selection to that class of Negro haters, who are dominating political South, thus throwing these men in line for national preferment that should come to the able, loyal and staunch colored republicans North, who stand by and help win the battles for the party.—The Michigan Representative.

"Mighty Interesting Reading."

The Freeman, of Indianapolis, has a long and very interesting article on the "Negro Conference" recently held at Tuskegee Normal and Iudstrial Institute, Tuskegee, Ala. The article is profusely illustrated with cuts of buildings, teachers, student classes, livestock, shops, gardens, farms, etc., and makes "mighty interesting reading." The Freeman must be commended for so able and interesting a presentation of thi sinstitution and its work. Such an article is sure to do good and it reflects great credit upon Negro journalism.—The Florida Evangelist.

The Freeman in California.

H. C. Allen has taken the general agency for The Freeman, and will have on every issue plenty of copies for sale. The Freeman is offering special inducements for this season.—New Searchlight, Los Angeles, Cal.

Mr. H. Allen has accepted the agency of The Freeman. The Freeman is offering special inducements in the way of premiums for this season. Mr. Allen wil keep a full supply of extra copies each week.—The Eagle, Los Angeles.

The Zenith Attained.

Kansas City, Mo., Jan. 19, 1898.

Mr. Knox: Inclosed I hand you money order for subscription to The Freeman and a copy of Sept. 11, '97, which number will make my eighth volume, all beautifully bound. Please hurry along this paper of the 11th, so I can hand it to my binder. Refering to the Christmas number of The Freeman, I am proud to say that superb zenith was veritably attained in this number, both in typography and in the elegance of contributions. In its general make-up the question was undoubtedly settled by all fair-minded thinkers that The Freeman as a true race journal leads, and all others follow. Yours,

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PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING:

Brooklyn Aug. 15.—This is to certify that I came to New York from Albany I was a stranger in a strange city, out of work and out of money. I had no luck in anything I undertook What to do I did not know. A friend advised me to go and see Dr. Shea. I did. He told me the cause of my troubles; he took me in and treated me as a brother. Through him I got a good position that very week. I had been to others; they took my money and did me no good. I bless the day I first met Dr. Shea I would advise all in bad luck, sick or in trouble to go to him at once. Sincerely

Albert Ayres,

2937 Atlantic avenue.

Brooklyn, Aug 15.—This letter is to certify that my husband had gone away and had been absent two years I mourned for him night and day. I gave him up as dead Hearing of the wonderful things Dr. Shea was doing I resolved to consult him. He told me that my husband was alive and well and where he was; told me he would come home and when. To my joy all of it came true. He is home now, came back like one from the dead. I also wish to say that this month I lost $250 I am a poor woman and I was almost insane. I went to Dr. Shea and he told me I would find my money and to my intense joy I did find it as he told me I thank God there is a man so gifted in our midst that can help people and tell them what to do. Sincerely.

121 23rd street Mrs. Barrett.

A SENSATION IN BROOKLYN—A MINISTER'S STATEMENT:

I wish to state that one of my parishoners was sick and in trouble for a long time, Mrs. Brown, 37 Gay street. No one seemed to under stand her case. She had several doctors, but none of them seemed to know what was the matter. None could do her any good It was my duty as her pastor to call and see her. Hearing of the wonderful work being done by Dr. Shea the last few years, I thought I would call and see him myself, I found him a sympathetic gentleman He gave me a wonderful test of his powers; told me to send him a lock of patient's hair, which I did by her daughter. He told at once what was the matter and in a short time cured her sound and well. Her family had seemingly been under a cloud. Now all is changed. All are well and prosperous. I can truly and heartily recoommend Dr. Shea, to all those in sickness or distress of any kind. Rev William Johnson, pastor Lebanon church, Brooklyn.

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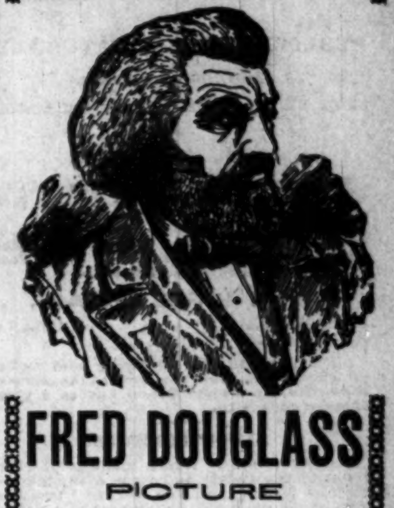

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Geo. L. Knox.

HAMITIC OR OTHERWISE.

One Rev. G. C. Harskarl, P. H. D., is attempting to untangle the Hamitic kink. In an article appearing in the Eastern Lutheran, published at Hartwick Seminary, Ostego county, New York, he says'

Gen. x: 25. "Again if no curses ever have changed a white man into a black man, whether pronounced by either God, or by patriarch, or by prophets, or by appostles, then we naturally inquire to know, on what principle of interpretation of the Scriptures and of history, the presence of the Negro race is to be accounted for. That he was not one of Noah's family and yet must have been in the ark, and have entered the same in some capacity or relation to the cattle or other beasts is evident. For, that he did enter the ark when the whole globe was deluged and all of mankind excepting Noah and his family and the animals in the ark were destroyed, is evident from the fact that he is now here, and yet not of the family or progeny of Ham. Again "No one has ever suspicioned either Shem or Japheth of bein gthe father of the Negro; and, therefore, he must have come out of ark; and he could not have come out unless he had previously entered it; and if he entered it, that he must have existed before the flood, and that, too, just such a Negro as we have now, and consequently not as a descendant of Adam and Eve; and if not the progency of Adam and eEve, that he is inevitably a beast, and as such, entered the ark, though having the form of man, and man he is, being so named by Adam."

It is to be supposed that this very erudite philosopher and theologian assumes to set at rest the much mooted question as to the derivation, or the origination of the race. Perhaps the very able gentleman is not acquainted with the fact that some of the best thinkers of the Negro race and of other races have wrestled the question threadbare. However, it is safe to say that none of his illustrious predecessors in this field have arrived at the same conclusion with him.

It is no wonder that the great Titian, Bishop Turner, makes such a savage defense of his race. Bishop Turner's God is black, and the world laughs, and yet why not black? Is it a matter of color preference? Who does the preferring? Are there not more blacks than whites? Yes, and outside of the lack of evidence to substantiate a preference to color argument, the greater number is to be served and these are black. The Freeman does hold with Turner that God is black, but it does hold that there is no more impropriety in his being black than any other color. Turner meant to make that point emphatic. And as to the Hamitic question again Dr. Harskarl can find more pleasure and more profitable entertainment than rehashing the old Hamitic story. We will do the world a vast amount of good if he can tell the Negro whither he is drifting. If his origin is wrapped in mystery; clearifying the conditions has nothing in his favor.

The Negro is here and of which all have abundant proof. The chances are that he is not concerned much as to his made of getting here. The doctor's job on the part of the Negroes will be a thankless task even should he locate his primeval habitat, or establish his lineage, if such discovery does not carry with it some balm for pangs and deprivation that has attended his way since his advent.

Bishop Benjamin W. Arnett has been honored by the Archaeological and Historical Society of Ohio in being selected to compile the history of the introduction of the Negro race in the Northwest territory, and especially of their introduction into the state of Ohio. He seeks general support in the very important undertaking. He says:

We want facts relating to the first settlement, incidents and lives of men and women of the organization of societies, important documents, speeches, sermons, resolutions, in fact everything that wil lthrow light on the path of sorrow that our fathers have trodden, and everything that will hang a star of hope over the pathway of the coming generations.

I will take care of any old pictures or documents that may be intrusted to me, or I iwll purchase any that are for sale, and those that cannot be purchased, if informed, I will come and examine them at my earliest convenience. We desire facts on the following subjects:

1. The Pioneer Settlers.
2. The Legal Status of the Negro.
3. The Educational Status.
4. The Industrial and Commercial.
5. The Religious and Moral.
6. The Political.
7. The Army and Naval Record.
8. Biographical Sketches of Distinguished Men and Women.

PETITION FOR COLORED MEN.

WASHINGTON, April 11.—A petition signed by prominent colored men of Mississippi, South Carolina and Louisana, was to-day presented to the Senate committee on privileges and election, requesting the committee to extend its report upon a recent Senate resolution, particularly to the consideration of the franchise features of the completed constitutions of South Carolina and Mississippi, now in force, and the changes contemplated as to the called to the fact that the reconstructed constitutions adopted by the states of Mississippi, South Carolina and Louisiana, and ratified by Congress, could never bealtered or changed so as to abridge therights of suffrage to any citizen of the United States who was entitled to such enjoyment of suffrage by the terms of the Constitutions recognized and approved by the acts of Congress. Notwithstanding this express inhibition of change in the constitutions relative to the rights of suffrage, the petitions asserts that such Constitutions of Mississippi and South Carolina, and that a similar scheme for disfranchisement of colored voters is now being considered by the constitutional convention of Louisiana. The committee is requested to report a measure favoring the investigation of the provisions proposed by the Louisiana convention and the present Constitutions of Mississippi and South Carolina.

The great unrest demonstrated by the Negro in the last few years, which, unhappily was augmented by murder and incendiarism, has been the means of unifying the race to a very appreciable extent. The disfranchising of Negroes in late years is contrary to prosperity, history making, logic, or rationalism in any degree. It was a step that, in face of the advancing tide, must have been long weighed and considered. That these spasmodic attempts to thwart the progress of nature or fate is abortive is a foregone conclusion. In the language of McKinley, it is but a chop sea. The great ocean of progress lies undisturbed beneath.

Penal institutions are coming in for a share of attention in these latter days. President Diaz, of Mexico, is winning himself fame for his humane consideration of that unfortunate class that have, through guilt, crime, or ignorance, found lodgment behind the revolt-inspiring prison walls. Mexico will soon see inaugurated a revolution in prison methods that this country might do well to imitate. Such novelists as Reade and Dickens did much to reveal to civilization the irregularities that prison walls shut up as completely as the grave. It is admitted that in these times, that gross irregularities are quite out of the question; yet human nature occasionally is true to its first estate and savagery exist in consequence. The story told of the Prison North by William Gant, a convict who was released last week, places that institution on the defensive, especially as it relates to colored convicts. Gant has had the advantage of a good education and of such an observing disposition that he was feared and respected. He was not punished, he says, and got out to a day according to his sentence; asking no favors nor receiving any.

The Prospect of a new journalistic venture of New York is a very ambitious Negro publication that deserves immediate success if the future is in any way to be guaged by its present appearance. It is the ideal in such matters as pertaining directly to the race, treated in a lofty style, as in the manner of the high class magazines of the day. Phil. H. Brown is the very enterprising editor. Success to him.

Robert J. Pelham, of Michigan, has well won any position the president may have in store for him. The brilliancy of his campaign would have recommended him long ago were it not for racial considerations.

POETRY.

The Freeman confesses to being in a very unenviable plight at this time. It has in the past paid considerable attention to publications in book form that dropped periodically from the pens of the writers of the race. This very generosity has been the means of bringing things to a turn that was quite unexpected. For some unaccountable reason there has been volumes of poetry (by courtesy) pouring in, whose ambitious authors request a review, the tone of such requests precluding the possibility of adverse criticism. Perhaps it would be more charitable not to speak at all in the matter and yet it might prove more charitable to assist in a little inspection. These authors rightfully and modestly ask that they be assistedto fame. The question is: Are they doing al lto assist themselves? To quote a pulpit question: "Are they called?" Calling here with equal appropriateness means fitness. May it not be deception that leads one into these very difficult intellectual paths? There are times in the lives of all civilized people when true to nature, the imagination, hopes, aspirations, affections, devotion, ambitions and all the virtues or attributes of man run highest. These inner strivings are manifested in a thousand ways without any particular knowledge as to the cause or where the cause was first manifest. At this age which is just on the border line of maturity, the young man is fired up with the prospect of some new clime. The immediate world in which he moves is far too narrow. He lives in a dream-romancing, and actual experience is the only panacea for dissipating his day-dreams. Others of both sexes are touched by the divine iuflatus as they see or feel it, and, perforce give vent to their feelings in what they consider inspired language, therefore poetry They perhaps, are not aware that the feeling is common to all at a certain period of life, and that this feeling is no index to the possibility of producing what the world holds to be good. There are other qualifications quite as indispensable as this aforesaid jubilant spirit. Education, temperament, imaginative powers, discernment, discrimination, judgment, versatility—all of which are different phases of education are quite essential. It is extreme folly to attempt to write poetry unless there is an ample education. Those who are contributing to that field of literature should bear in mind that the unlearned cannot become initiated into the mysteries that make the successful contributions as long as they are unlearned. To be candid excursions into the field of poetry should be discouraged unless the conditions are complied with. It is true now and then there arises one who is endowed with nearly all the attributes of the poet. Robert Burns was such a man. He felt that he too could write poetry like that greater man Walter Scott. He did write and wrote well. But whoknows but what he would have written better had he had more education. Burns, at the best, could never have geen great in the sense that Scott was great. He could never have written Child Buron or Harold as Byron wrote. He could write for the plain people—a simple story of lowly life so true as to solicit the response of a thousand amens. But he was one of ten thousand, or as one in a given age that could defy the school house with anything like success. The history of English literature shows that it is the few that have succeeded in taming the poetical Pegasus. And yet thousands who have essayed the field have been superbly endowed in many of the essentials, but nevertheless they have fallen into the pit, oblivion. It ought to be with extreme care that one treads this highest and most exacting way of intellectual effort. The patron goddess of poetry is a very jealous mistress; the offerings at her shrine are reduced to a minimum. The Freeman does not presume to be pedantes in this matter nor didactical, but what is to be done when it is asked to pass on a poem, a portion of which reads thus:

"Where has his equal been found?
  Youmay trace him from his birth;
Go ye now in every bound,
  Go no wand search the earth.

Now let the public cry aloud,
  I care not where it may be,
You know the colored race was proud,
  Of a noble man like he.

Now some may say it is I;
  If you can the story tell;
There may be some ew can't deny,
  But the name is hard to spell.

The above is a fair sample of the contents of a volume of printed poetry on which the authors ask favorable comment. Comment is not needed. A glance iwll at once classify these productions. This production needs to apostrophise or eulogise Frederick Douglass. As much as possible the mantle of charity is extened and the keen bladed scapel is without sympathy for the ambitious author who may yet outgrow any set limitations and obtain his ideal.

The status of the two colored companies of the city is the subject of inquiry from all parts of the country.

Another plum of fair dimensions, $1,500, in the way of consulship to San Domingo, has fallen to Ohio. Prof. Campbell L. Maxwell, of Xenia, is the fortunate recipient. That states feels fairly well off, politically speaking, at this time with her Green, Anderson, Arnett and Maxwell.

The Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, Tuskegee, Ala., has recently installed an electric lighting plant upon its grounds.

Hawaii is having some rest at this time. That is to say Dole is giving the administration a little peace in favor of sterner matters.

The colored men of Mississippi, South Carolina and Louisiana have come together in the matter of franchises in those states.

The Freeman asknowledges the request of its presence at the thirtieth anniversary of the Hampton (Va.) Normal and Agricultural Institute, April 21, 1898.

Hon. Geo. White, the only colored member of congress, will deliver the commencement address at the Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute on Thursday, May 26th.

A lady in New York recently founded the "Roberts Memorial Scholarship" at Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute at Tuskegee, Ala., in memory of the late President Roberts of Liberia.

The Charleston Enquirer of South Carolina has taken a decided stand against the war party in this country. And what's more it is about right. The United States has its own odds and ends to look after. It is at this time affected with the largeness of heart and fails to see the beam in its own eye.

It seems a foregone conclusion that the Republicans of the state of Kansas will put a colored man on their ticket for auditor. Kansas is quite given to such things in the past and a colored man for the same position seems likely to be one of the political events of the year.

JUDGE BRADLEY OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

It is said that Judge Bradley, of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, has been guilty of indiscretion in some of his late utterances as the result of the trial of a colored man named Smith, who appeared before him recently. The man, it seems, was condemned on general principles, which was emphasized by the following language: "Lynching, probably, would be better than putting the government to the expense of keeping and hanging that brute." The Colored American, of Washington, D. C., in righteous indignation, commenting on the incident, says in part:

"The colored ministers have done their duty in calling the judge to book in this case. To permit the incident to pass unrebuked would lead to similar boldness in localities antagonisitc to fair trials for Negroes. In some states, after such a remark, the crowd would have followed the bent of its brutish passions, and Smith would have been strung up in short order. Smith's crime was dastardly in the extreme, but if we are to maintain a civil government, the verdict of the court must be executed by the regularly constituted officers of the law. Until there is positive conviction that the law can not or will not administer justice and preserve public order, there is no excuse for intervention of irresponsible outsiders. In these times, when lawlessness and passionate license so frequently deepen the red record of our land, it is the height of impudence for a member of the judiciary to breathe a word calculated to incite a restless and mercurial people to deeds of violence."

The vigorous language of the Colored American in paying its respects to Judge Bradley is very fitting. It is the same story; the utter contempt that a part of the nation has for the other part. It is customary to ventilate the actions of mobs through the papers, but when a judge, invested by means of his position with the right of prolonging or terminating the pleasure or the life of a man, it seems that extreme caution should attend his speech.

Mr. G. L. Knox, who is supposed to be a candidate for Congress from this district is receiving many warm letters commending him in event he should make the race. One from Buffalo, N. Y., is subjoined.

The Hon. George L. Knox, Indianapolis, Ind. Dear Sir:—The Spectator is glad to hear of your candidacy for Congress, and hope it is something more than a rumor. There is needed today, as much as ever one intelligent and courageous representative of the race in the national forum, yet in view of the open, manly opposition of the enemy, and the chicanery of so-called friends, it needs a man of undaunted courage unquestionable fidelity, and the highest order of intelligence to enter the arena. All these you possess. Let the race in your district honor themselves by rallying round to you, and success is yours. I wish I knew wherein I can aid. Very sincerely yours, F. L. S. Peregrim

The Freeman true to human nature could not forebear allowing the world to know that its publisher is known beyond the boundaries of his own State. It takes great pleasure in thanking the many noble-hearted men of the country who have forwarded congratulations and tender of support in event there is more than rumor in the report.

A Budget of Newsy Jottings.

Hartford, Conn., Special:—Great excitement prevails among the citizens and friends of Mr. C. H. James, a well-known and popular drug dealer of long standing, who met with an unprecedented accident a few days ago, merely escaping death while in custody of one of his teams transporting goods across the city. The spirited horse became frightened while crossing the street-car track and suddenly turning, was knocked down by an approaching car, causing the wagon to capsize, thus imprisoning Mr. James between the earth and wagon bed, and in this position, being shoved ahead by the car before it could be brought to a standstill, everybody expected a case of death when the body of Mr. James was rescued. But to the pleasant disappointment of all, Mr. James was more frightened than injured, and his wagon was only sprung a little in one of the shafts where the car fell against it. A heavy suit of damages is expected to be entered against the Street Railway Co. * * The sick list is much longer this week. Miss Sadie Byard, Daniel Douglas, Harry Weeks are also to be included. * * Mrs. May Smith on Pearl St., has become a reader of The Freeman. * * Mrs. Grant on the hill entertained last week Misses Mary and Julia James, also Miss Maggie Epps and others. * * Miss Gardner, on the hill, is much improved from a severe attack of cold. * * Mrs. John L. Water, who lost her eighteen-months-old baby boy, is recovering from a severe attack of sickness. * * Mrs. Joseph Roberson has been sick three weeks under the care of Dr. Johnson of New York City. * * The Tuxedo Social club, President Smith, met Friday night. Plans are in operation for a grand social. * * Wheel riders among the colored citizens here are on the increase and a bike club has organized with the following officers: G. C. Daniels, president; P. Jackup, vice president; George Brals, secretary; Overton Oals, assistant secretary; and William Knight, treasurer. * * Great interest prevails among the wheelmen over the five mile bike race between Mr. John H. Henry and Mr. John H. Smith; purse, $15. The race was postponed from last week to this week. * * Jas. Thomson is sick and under the care of Drs. Armer and T. H. Hinton. Leaves this week for New York City. * * Mr. Charles Phillips, of Hartford, defeated Mr. Walker Snips, of Meridian, last week at the Buxbee house billiard parlors. The game was highly interesting. Phillips stood 150 points to Snipe's 95; purse, $20. * * Mr. Sam Johnson, who has retired from business on the Hill, has been quite sick. He is somewhat improved at this writing. * * Mrs. Sylvester Randell, an old resident of Hartford and member of the Congregational church here, died in Brooklyn a few days ago. * * Mr. Washington Lane, who has suffered with his eyes quite a while, has arranged for an operation under a doctor from New York City. * * Mr. John L. Waterman has started a general labor contract business. * * Mrs. Lottie Lane, the sole agent at Hartford for Osline hair straightener, is doing a good work for The Freeman.

COLORED VOTERS DEMAND.

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tian people. That church is doing what all churches should do—say something and do something to create a sentiment against prejudice. * * Your agent went before the city librarian to have the "Freeman" placed on file along with the other papers for general reading. It had to be left for inspection by the library board. It was thoroughly examined and accepted as a fit paper to go on its files. The "Freeman" should be in every public library in the United States. * * The Negroes of Los Angeles, like Negroes of other cities are cursed with some of the "'faults of the race." We do not patronize our public library as we should. I have occasion to be there three or four times a week and I am sorry to say I have never seen a Negro sitting at tables reading, either in the general reading room or in the "reference" reading room. A very great fault, this. Where are the young men and women that need the advantages of the "free fountains of knowledge" of the public library? * * The "political pot" is beginning to simmer for the fall elections. Many candidates are looming up. Our colored votes are demanding recognition, nothing short than a fire company. It is to be hoped that there will be such united action among the colored voters that they can not fail to secure the appointment of a Negro fire company. * * There was a grand anniversary entertainment at the Steven's A. M. E. church, by the Pansy Drill Club, under the direction of Miss Georgia Ballinger, for the benefit of the Tabernacle Baptist church. This is a well organized drill company of Los Angeles' Sweet Angels." Thedisplay of beautiful costumes, the beautiful calisthenic movements, the perfect marching, and figure and tableaux performances were scenes like a dream, so beautiful it was. Miss Ballinger is to be highly commended for her patience and intelligence, in producing such a novel entertainment.

Program:

Opening chorus............Pansy Club
Solo..................Miss Mary Porter
Fancy March and Calesthenics
............Pansy Club Juniors
Solo.............Mr. A. L. Rutherford
Fancy March and Cord Drill..........
Tableaux Scene..................

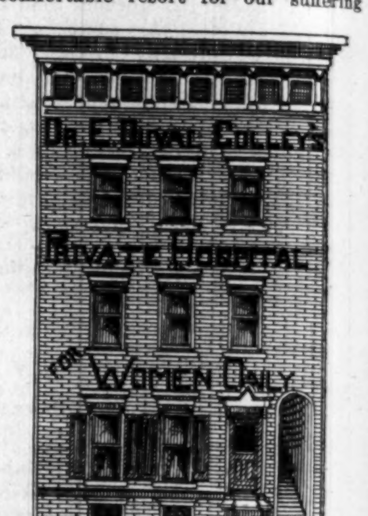
Los Angeles is still favored with the presence of Flora Batson, Gerard Millar and Sam T. Barnes. Their second performance at Simpson's Tabernacle, Mar. 24, was largely attended and added much honor to the reputation of these wonderful artists. They will play in Riverside and Redlands before leaving South California for the North. * * One of our enterprising business firms is the "Baltimore Restaurant" conducted by Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Banks. They have a large patronage of business men being situated on Broadway, one of the principal streets in the city. * * Mr. R. C. Owens, one of Los Angeles's Afro-American capitalists has sold a fine piece of property on Broadway Street. $44,000 being the consideration. Mr. Owens contemplates re-investments in other desirable properties. * * T. M. Vena, Editor of "The New Searchlight" has been appointed deputy clerk in county assessor's office. * * Mrs. A. J. Jones is on the sick list. * * Mrs. Jno. W. Calvin gave a breakfast, at her residence, in honor of Mrs. W. S. Layton and daughter, prior to their departure for the East. * * Your correspondent is elated over his success with the Freeman. Were he to write all the compliments it receives, it would fill a book. The editor is certainly to be congratulated on the "Booker T. Washington's" edition. It was a "hummer." Your agent pushed it among the whites and many were the compliments received from them.

Interesting Notes.

Lake Providence, La., Special.—The home of Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Jones was gladened by the arrival of a bouncing baby girl. * * Rev. F. T. Chinn, P. E., of the M. E. church, arrived and held his quarterly meeting. * * S. W. Green and Mrs. Josephine Fitzgerald attended Federal Court at Monroe last week. * * Lake View Lodge, No. 18, K. of P., was reinstated Tuesday night. Several new members were initiated. * * Prof. Brinson, of the Transylvania school and Prof. Dodgers of the Carondelet school, were in town Saturday. Prof. Rodgers will be the principal of the Baptist high school, which will open here in the fall. * * J. B. Brayant, the "war horse" of the Second ward, was in town Saturday shaking hands with his friends. * * Easter was observed at the different churches.

A Womans' Hospital.

A sign of progress is the desire for greater freedom, more of the comforts of life and a corresponding energy to attain them. It is indicative then that our race is moving onward and upward, from a colored standpoint, as we have often wished for just such an institution as described in this article. Because it furnishes, in the first place, a comfortable resort for our suffering women, and, at the same time warrants notice of the fears of mistreatment on account of race prejudice, which would likely be felt in a white institution of the same kind.



This hospital is situated on Pioneer, formerly Harrison-st., 427, east of Broadway, Cincinnati, and is complete in appointment and all medical convenience.

Dr. E. Duval Colley, through whose foresight this hospital was made possible, and who is its chief physician, is a graduate of Howard University.

His assitants are white and colored, competent indeed to carry on a work of this kind, and his efforts to establish and carry on should receive the heartiest support of our entire race.

Dr. Colley has had years of experience in one of the leading hospitals in the East, making a first-class record, second to no other physician's, white or colored in this country or abroad; hence we are justified in predicting a most beautiful success for his needed enterprise among our race. Already he has performed some daring operations with success, as well as raised many whom had been given over. He is making preparations for a ward for men which will soon be completed.

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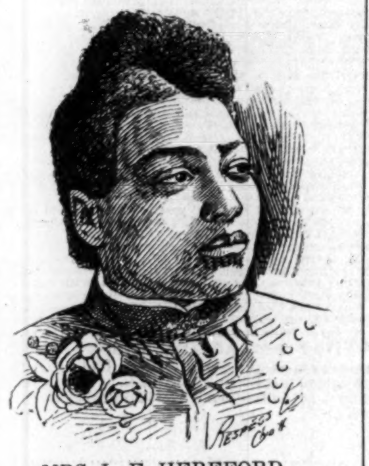

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The Nashville Students are in Iowa.

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Big Sensation—Pittsburg, Pa., this week.

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Al. G. Field's Colored Minstreis are in Wheeling, W. Va., today.

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George W. Pickett is making a big hit—Joseph Hart.

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The Georgia Graduates are booked to appear in Denver, Col., May 7.

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Johnson and Dean are playing dates around New York and Boston.

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Al. G. Field's Colored Minstrels will close their season about April 20.

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The Harpers have joined Ed. F. Rush's "White Crook" company.

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"Darkest America" is in Wisconsin this week, playing to good business.

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The Millar-Batson combination are still on the Pacific slope, meeting with much success.

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South Sea Island Joe and wife, Beno, were at Huber's Palace Museum, New York City, last week.

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Dick Weston, the old-time popular comedian and author, is meeting with great success in New York City.

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Goggin & Davis, the leading colored acrobats, are very busy breaking in their new act for the European tour.

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Billy and Jennie Eldridge, the favorite sketch team with Reilly & Woods' company, are making a big success this season.

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Henry Carter closed with Richards & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels at Anaconda, Mont., and joined the Georgia Graduates.

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George Davis, trombonist, late of the Georgia Graduates, joined Richards & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels in Saden, Utah.

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Stetson's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" company are playing to remarkable fine business. They are at Logansport, Ind., today.

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The Henderson Specialty Quartette—Alf. Williams, Dick Smith, Jerry Williams and James Wesley are making a great his through Montana.

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The Mystic Quartette—Messrs. Dickerson, Page, Preston and White, were big hits at the Columbia theater last week with Harkins & Barbour's company.

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Prof. H. B. Jordan, lecturer, is appearing before large and apprciative audiences. His lecture on "The Dark Side of a Bright Subject" is certainly very interesting.

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Spencer Walker, business manager of the Afro-American Specialty company, writes as follows: "Our company, numbering thirty-five, headed by Prof. John Garratt's concert band and orchestra, opened at Yellow Springs, O., March 21. Our roster: L. H. Thomas, sole proprietor; Fred Ringold and Jack Swabe, managers; Spencer Van Walker, business manager; Lewis Smith, Charles Delaney, Fred Smiles, Frank Graham, E. C. Harris, Clyde Collier, Walter Norris, Miss Veina Spencer, Madam Lizzette Taylor, Mlle. Retta Belle and Little Nonia.

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Mr. Laforce, fomerly of the Diamond Quartette will learn something to his interest by addressing J. Ed. Green, care Richards Pringle's Georgia Minstrels, per route.

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The Colored Sports company in "A Darkie's Holliday," under the management of Mr. George L. Archer, began their tour at the Columbia theater, Newark, N. J., April 18.

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Prof. Luke Pulley, the "Black Pader Whiskey," wishes to state that he is under the personal management of P. T. Powers of the Etheopean Amusement company of New York.

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After an illness of three weeks with pneumonia Mr. J. Ed. Green, manager of the famous Diamond Quartette, with the Richard's & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels, is able to be on his feet again.

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Al. and Mamie Anderson finished eight weeks over the Hopkins-Castle circuit at St. Louis, Mo., March 19; played the Orpheum theater, Kansas City, Mo., and are now returning East.

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Mr. Miles Torry, of Pittsburg, claims the distinction of being the first colored trombonist in the United States. Mr. Terry first joined Sprague's Georgia Minstrels band, under the leadership of W. C. Harris, in October, 1876.

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Mr. George S. Thomas, musician, with Stetson's "Uncle Tom's Cabin" company, was a very pleasant caller at The Freeman sanctum this week. The company stopped over in Indianapolis for several hours. Tuesday.

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Mme. Leota Harris-Blackburn, who has been making a big hit this season with the Fields combination, has returned to her home, at Indianapolis, where she will spend her vacation. Mme. Blackburn will join Isham's Octoroons in September.

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During the engagement of Richards & Pringel's Georgia Minsterls in Salt Lake City, Utah, the boys all visited Fort Douglass. The Twenty-fourth Regiment band gave a concert that was strictly up-to-date among the numbers played, being "Guard Mount." Robert Leach, one of the Georgias, late of the regiment band, was a special guest.

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Mrs. P. T. Wright is having great success as manager of her company. She possesses a business quality that insures future success. She is intending to enlarge the company next season. She received many letters of sympathy concerning the death of her husband, and through the columns of The Freeman return many thanks.

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Denton & Weathers' Genuine Georgia Minstrels will open its summer season about June 1, under the management of Denton & Weathers,, playing parks through the Eastern States. The company will include Denton & Weathers, managers; John H. Smith, stage manager; George Perkins, Link Fields, Boney Johnson and James Lum.

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Notes from Georgia Operatic Minstrels—We are now touring the silver circuit of Colorado and are meeting with great success. Oliver Watts, White and Jackson, our comedians, are doing some great work, and John Pamplin, the zouave gun juggler, is making a big hit and receiving many favorable press notices. Mme. C. C. Smith, of Watts & Smith, has returned to the show, after a two weeks' illness in Salt Lake City, Utah.

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Notes from Richards & Pringle's Georgia Minstrels during the illness of Dick Thomas, the comedian, Sam Robinson played his part in "Mr. Johnson Turn Me Loose," to perfection. Sam Burns is playing tuba in one of the bands. John Eason is arranging Buddie Robinson's "coon" two-step for D. W. Flower's orchestra, of St. Louis. Mr. Ed. Green and Manager Rusco, who have been down with the pneumonia, are both able to be around again.

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The boys of John W. Vogel's "Darkest America" company have organized a ball team with the following members: C. P. Jones, manager; Charles Johnson, captain; Will Porter, catcher; Will Lewis, first base; C. D. Brooks, short stop; Will Merritt, second base; Mat Housely, third base; Angelo Housely, right field; Harry Brown, center field; Charles Brooks, left field; Pete Johnson, pitcher. They beat the Waterloo (Ia.) team 15 to 9. They are ready to meet all similar organizations.

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'Tis said that Paul Lawrence Dunbar, in conjunction with James Whitcomb Riley and Will Cook, of Washington, D. C., are writing a Negro comic opera. Dunbar, in speaking of this matter, says: "I want to have the opera played entirely by colored singers. The heroine is the daughter of a waiter who has become rich from the tips which he has received at a winter hotel in St. Augustine. . The first act takes place in the court-yard of the hotel, and the other is laid in Thompson-st., where the heroine meets an African king, who is traveling incognito.

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On the evening of March —, a host of colored performers met at 114 W. Thirty-first-st., New York City, and organized what shall be called the Colored Actors' Fund of America. The organization is no doubt one of the grandest things for the benefit of the colored performers. The following is a list of the officers: Edward Mallory, president; Charles Moore, vice-president; James Good, recording secretary; Harry Eaton, chairman of trustees; Al Brown, sergeant-at-arms; C. H. Moore, treasurer; Luke Pulley, chaplain.

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Billy McClain sends the following. Air—"Marching thrugh Georgia:

The star and stripes are waving,
Now o'er land and sea,
The flying squadroon is sailing,
There as fast as she can flee.
Our flag will still be waving
When old Spain will cease to be,
The ruler of the Havana harbor.

Chorus.

Hurrah! Hurrah! Well we'll set poor Cuba free,
Hurrah! Hurrah! We'll march to victory—
We'll avenge the Maine and whip old Spain
And do it handsomely; Down at the harbor of Havana.

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Mr. P. G. Lowery, the great cornet soloist, was gloriously entertained in St. Louis on April 2rd, by the Mozart Quartet at the Mr. W. Hayden's teaching rooms. Beside the quartet they were entertained by Miss Emma Fogg, Miss Bell Perry and other teaching musicians of the city. Mr. Lowery entertained them with his cornet and each solo marked the presence of a master performer.

The following is a letter from P. G. concerning the quartet:

Mr. Editor—Dear Sir: While in St. Louis I had the pleasure of hearing a first-class quartet in every respect, their voices were clear and contained the peculiar brightness, attact and sustaining qualities were extra good. At any time you have the opportunity to hear the Mozart quartet embrace the opportunity, for you will hear the four artists. W. C. Hayden, first tenor; L. G. Rector, second tenor; C. A. Scott, baritone; Babe Alexander, bass. They are not only a credit to our race, but to all music loving people.

P. G. LOWERY.

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It is a source of gratification to see the improvement in things theatrical, so far as the Negro is concerned. Last week Cole & Johnson's "A Trip to Coontown" company and the New York Sun, the leading daily of that city, tells the story of their success in the following article:

"Paul Dunbar, the Negro boy poet, who announced the other day that he was about to collaborate with James Whitcomb Riley and write a comic opera for Negro actors, has been anticipated. At the Third-ave. theater this week Cole & Johnson's "select company of colored artists" is appearing in "A Trip to Coontown," and the plot of the piece bears quite a resemblance to the story which Mr. Dunbar had laid out for his comic opera. This, mind you, is no charge of plagiarism, for the idea of the scallawag who passes himself off as a prince was very popular in those days before Mr. Dunbar was born and Francis Wilson was still in long clothes of the second act of "Erminie." At the Third-ave., however, the idea has been used to fine advantage, and the result is one of the most artistic farce comedy shows that New York has seen in a long time. In the second act the inevitable racing scene is dragged in and still more inevitable operatic selections are indulged in, and as none of the singers in the present company is a dusky De Reszke or ebonied Melba, the result is not altogether happy. But, on the other hand, they are such delicious dancers and such fine actors that the first half of the performance is one long, rollicking frolic. There are many white comedians who could set at the feet of these Negro actors and learn a thing or two. For instance, Bob Cole, who plays Willie Wayside, the tramp, in a white make-up which makes it almost impossible to guess his particular tint, is quite the equal as a comedian of either Dan Daly or Walter Jones, while he has more distinction than either of them, and is funnier than Ward and Vokes rolled together.

He showed last night that he is capable of playing any white part far better than most Negro comedians play black ones. There are only about twelve persons in the company, and yet each is an artist. For instance, Jim Wilson does an equilibrist specialty which is quite as good as any done by Cinquevalli. Another Negro, Mr. Bill Binkerton, gives an Italian act which is capital, and Tom Brown's Chinaman is as fine an imitation as was ever given by either Charles Parsdoe or James T. Powers. Billy Johnson, who plays the bunco steerer, is an artist to his fingers, and all the women in the company, besides furnishing several first-class specialties, dance like dreams.

The songs in the first part are admirable. "Here's a Hoping These Few Lines Will Find You Well." "Play 4—11—44" and "The Famous Black Moguls," all scored hits, while it was worth the price of admission merely to hear the blackest Negro in the company sing, "All Chinks Look Alike to Me." The mere fact that this performance is given entirely by Negro singers would make it interesting in itself. But the excellence of the performance raises it far above any such level. Their lightness of foot, their mellow voices and the grace and distinction with which they carry themselves place these artists high above the average white farce comedy level. "A Trip to Coontown" is a great big whacking success.

J. HARRY JACKSON.

Dots.

Eufaula, Ala., Special:—Easter will be observed by the pupils of St. Luke A. M. E. church, Sunday. * * Hon. L. C. Gardner spent several days in Birmingham, Ala., last week. * * Mr. T. S. Page, of Dawson, Ga., is in the city, visiting relatives. * * Mr. John Ward, our leading colored merchant is doing a nice grocery business. * * Mr. Peter Goode is on the sick list. * * There

Notes of Interest.

Muncie, Ind., Special:—A beautiful Easter program was rendered at Jackson St. A. M. E. church, Sunday eve. Several excellent essays were delivered. Mrs. Anna Strawthers and Mrs. White's essays deserve special mention. Mr. L. Fetcher also delivered a very nice oration. * * Next Sunday is quarterly meeting at A. M. E. church, at which time the presiding elder Townsend, will be present. * * Mrs. Conway is entertaining her niece. * * The "Klondike" was entertained by Mr. and Mrs. Ohmer Knox, of S. Plum street, last Thursday evening. The next meeting of the club will be held at Mrs. Strawthers in the beautiful suburb of Whitley. * * Rev. White left Monday morning for Marion Ind., to be present at the lecture to be delivered by B. Arnett. * * Mrs. James Sawyers is on the sick list. * * Miss Nora Morin entertained in honor of her guest Miss Mayo, of Dayton, O. * * Mr. Richmond spent Sunday in Louisville, Ky. * * Mr. and Mrs. Sawyers entertained in honor of Mrs. Sawyer's birthday last Thursday. * * "The Tennesseans" are billed for Albany Monday evening.

Henderson, Ky., Special.—Mr. Thos. Gaines, sr., died April 5th of Bright's disease. Mr. Gaines was one of Henderson's representative citizens, having been a resident here since 1846. * * Louis E. Gibson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Gibson, died April 8th, aged four years. * * The Queen Esther Temple held their annual banquet Easter Monday night at U. B. F. hall. * * Miss Joycie Davis spent Easter Sunday in Owensboro. * * The literary at the A. M. E. Zion church is progressing nicely. An interesting program was rendered Friday night. * * We have for the first time a colored dentist with us. * * Dr. Thomas H. Harris, a recent graduate of Meharry medical collge, has located here. * * Dr. H. W. Armstead was in Evansville last week on business.

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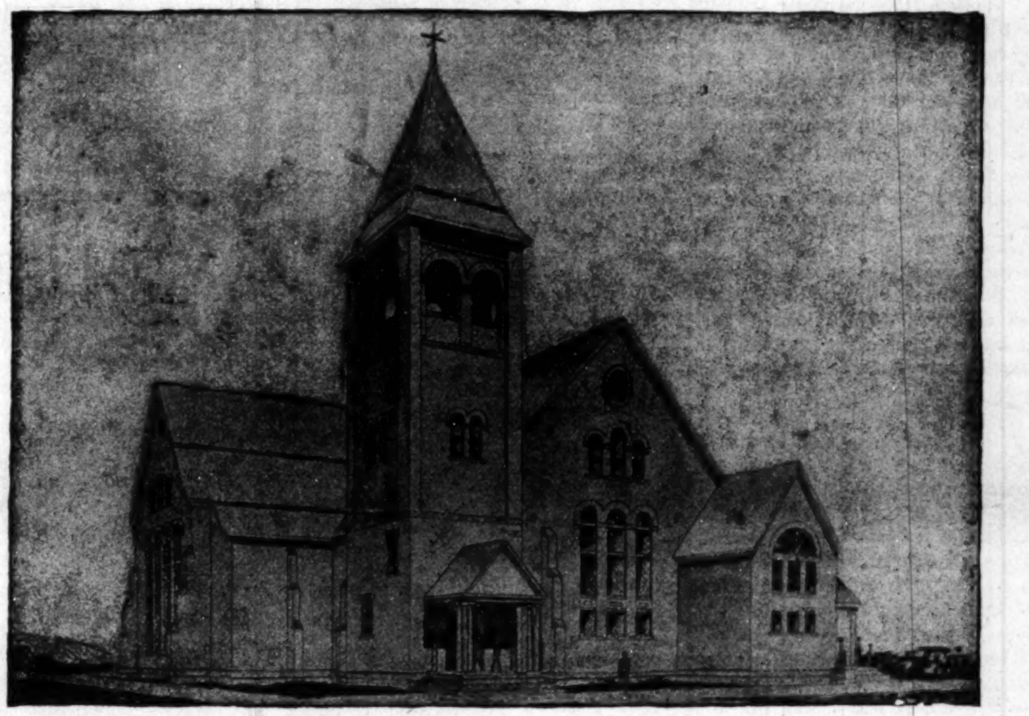

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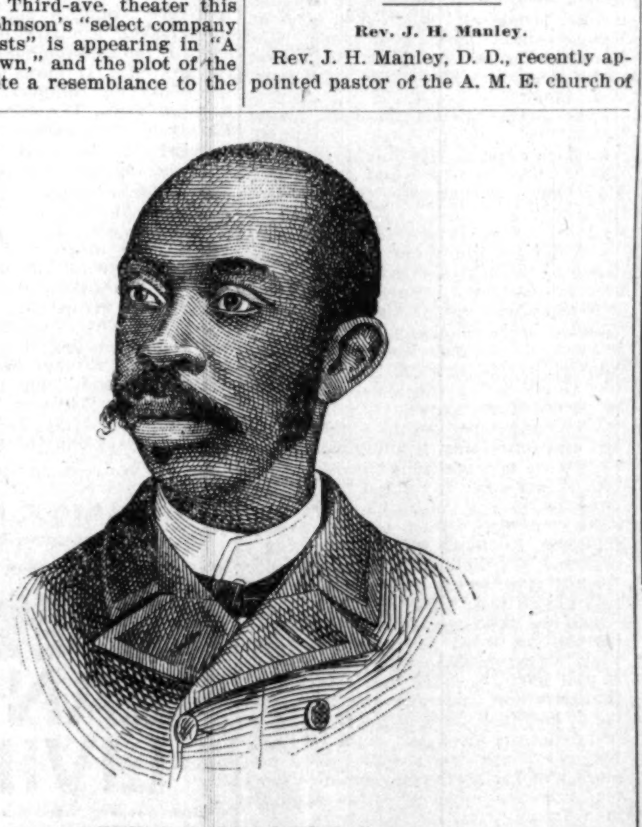

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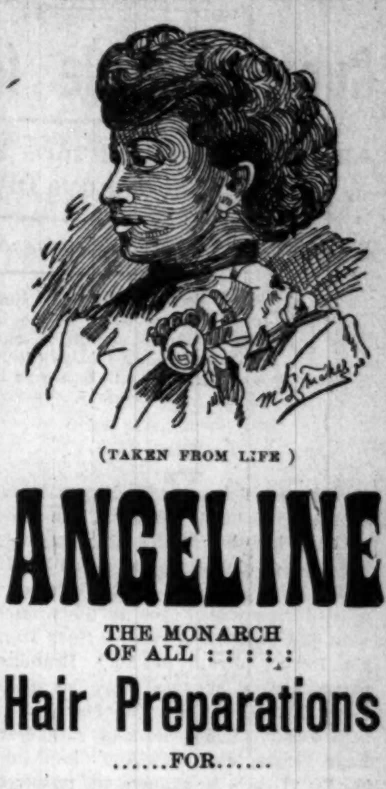

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CHAPTER XL.

When Brown was called upon to respond to the toast: "Woman," he stood up from his seat at the table and held his glass of champagne at arm's length above head. He was silent for a minuate, during which time all the women who had been false to him, from Maggie Brown down to May Brandus, passed before his eyes, then he spoke in a loud, clear, eloquent voice, actuated either by inspiration or wine (perhaps wine, and perhaps "half and half"): "Here's to woman, the unsolved problem of the student of human nature, for like the poet's conclusion above eternity.

When we have tried ten thousand years.
Bright shining as the sun
We know less then of woman's ways—
The problem's just begun.

Woman: The mother, sister, wife, companion and master of man; woman, the known and the unknown; woman, the acme of human love (mother's love) of human hate, (revengeful hate); of truth and deception; acme of the good and the bad; woman, who cries when we know she will laugh; who laughs when we know she will cry; who hates when we have concluded she loves; who loves when a man would hate; who is a friend when a man would have just cause to be a foe; who is a foe when a man would be a firm friend; who is the slave when she should be the master; who is the master when she should be the slave; woman, until the end of time, she will be an unsolved problem to the student of human nature. Woman, for thee what will not man attempt? For thee, to what degradation will not he submit? For thee, what will he not risk in this world, or prospectively, in the next? Industry is rewarded by thee, enterprise is supported by thee; crime is cherished, and—heaven itself barted for thee, thou powerful auxiliary of both weal and woe; of heaven and hell. Here's to woman, God bless her (this prayer is not said in the usual flattering way we say it in toasts), God bless her! I repeat, bless her and make her more of a companion and less of a mystery; make her love stronger and hate weaker. Here's to woman, God curse her—curse her when she wrongs poor, weak man, when she plays with the heart of man; when she lures him into the paths of degradation and death. Woman, the light and darkness of our pathway; without her we would not be; without her we could not be. Woman, with all thy faults—thy faults are many—we love, honor and adore thee still; 'twas ever thus, 'twill ever be. Gentlemen, we'll drink to the health of our mothers—types of true love (always); to our wives, types of devotion (sometimes); to our sweethearts, types of mystery (always and ever); to woman in general, sometimes our slave, always our master. The hand that rocks the cradle is the mytery of the world. Drink to that hand."

Brown held the party spell-bound with his eloquence, logic and truths about woman. When he finished he received a round of applause with:

"Oh, he's a jolly good fellow,
He's a jolly good fellow,
As nobody can deny."
As nobdy can deny."

After which one of the company, a young fellow in the same boat, exclaimed aloud:

"A clear case of the opinion of the discarded lover."

Cross, who knew the speaker's love troubles, replied: "Make it two, Wilcox."

There was a hearty laugh and then came the next toast and so on until the "we sma' hours."

"What story is not full of woman's falsehood?
The sex is all a sea of wide distinction;
We are vent'rous barks, that leave our homes
For those sure dangers which their smiles conceal:
At first they draw us on with flattering looks
Of summer calms, and a soft gale of sighs,
Dance on the waves, and show their golden locks,
But—when the tempest comes, then, then, they leave us,
Or, rather help the new calamity!
And the whole storm is one infurious woman.
The lightning follow'd with a thunder bolt,
Is marble-hearted woman. All the shelves.
The faithless winds, blind rocks, and sighing sands,
Are woman all! the wreck of wretched man."

"The world was sad(the garden was wild,
And man, the hermit, sighed till woman smiled."

"Oh, woman! is our hour of ease,
Uncertain, coy, and hard to please,
And variable as the shade,
By the light, quivering asper made,
When pain and anguish wring the brow,
A ministering angel thou."

CHAPTER XLI.

In the "wee sma' hours," or in plain United States language, at half-past six the morning after the banqpet, a big Irish policeman found a woman sleeping on the steps of a house in —— street. She was a blonde and looked like a care-worn woman of thirty-five or forty. If inspected by a student of human nature the conclusion reached would have been that she was a woman of the street not over twenty odd years old, whose "wild oats" life had made her look twice that age.

"Whatterell you doing here?" asked the "Cop" of Irish birth.

Sir, replied the woman, rudely aroused by his rough shake.

"Sir, be d——; get er move on yer or I oil run yer in, so I will and I'll run yer in anyhow; I'll call the hurry-up wagon. Come with me to the corner," he remarked as he pushed her forward.

"Please, sir; do not arrest me! I am not a woman of the street."

"Coom on, what yer givin' us?" was the reply, as he pulled her forward. The woman regained, for the moment, her old-time superiority, and exclaimed:

"How dare you! You impudent cur, turn me loose!"

The officer, coward as he was, turned her loose and she might have gone her way had she not, woman like, in her hour of victory, turned upon him with the remark: "You dirty, Irish Mick." By her indignation she poured oil upon the fire and the policeman pulled her to the corner of ——th street and Sixth avenue and telephoned for the patrol wagon. The wagon had just arrived when Charles Forrester Brown, our hero, turned the corner, boarding-house bound from the banquet.

The out-of-New York reader has seen or can or will see in the New York City comic (?) newspapers pictures of the rural out-of-town stranger—the "Jersey" or "up-State" hayseed farmer or the "down East Yank" or the "down South Darkey," whose curiosity causes him to stop and look at the every-day events of the great city; still the idle mind-other-folks-business curiosity of the New Yorker can give the out-of-towner "cards and spades" and then win at the game. A crowd of native-born New Yorkers or those who have lived for years in the city can be collected on any corner between sunrise and midnight by the smallest event outside of the usual every day circle of business rush and pleasure. Not long ago a man living in New York made a bet with a friend that he could collect a crowd of one or two hundred mixed people—business men, idlers, women and boys, in five minutes. The wager was a wine supper. The first man walked down Broadway during the busy hours until he reached Uuion Square, where hundreds of men, women, girls and boys were rushing to and fro on their way to business or work; here he stopped and looked up in the cloudless sky directly over his head. Several men rushed by, one halted and looked up, trying to see at what the first man was looking; two boys did likewise, one girl, then two women, then twenty or more other men, after that people came running towards the crowd from all points. "What's up?" those on the outside asked their neighbors and received all kinds of answers. One said: "A woman fainted;" another, "big star in the sky; see it up there?" another, "a fellow's drunk;" a few were honest enough to say. "I don't know." In the meantime the man who had started the crowd had backed out and stood on the other side of the street with my friend watching the crowd grow larger and larger until a policeman dispersed it. Such a crowd had collected at the Sixth avenue corner when Brown came up. He had long since lost his interest in crowds and his New York curiosity failed to return. He would have taken no notice of the crowd or have ever known the cause of the collection had he not been obliged to pass through it to reach the opposite side of the street. As he pushed through the crowd he heard a woman scream for help. He looked towards the patrol wagon and saw three big policemen trying to force a woman in the wagon. She was clinging to a lamp-post and crying, "Oh! some one aid me!- Don't let them take me to the station-house; don't let me be disgraced!"

"Disgraced? Well, say, that's a good one," said one of the bystanders and the crowd approved with a laugh. The policemen had just pushed her in the patrol wagon when she caught sight of Brown, and cried out: "Oh, Forrester, save me: come to the station house and get me out!"

He looked surprised at hearing himself called Forrester, knowing full well that it was some former employee of the firm of J. W. Draper & Co., and so it was; it was May Brandus or May Clifford.

"Why, is that you, May?"

Yes, I am Mary Smith broke in May, not wishing him to repeat her right name. "Will you not help me out of my troubles?"

"Yes; I will. Where is she going?" officer, he asked the policeman in charge of the patrol wagon.

"Up to Jeff's Chappie."

"Where's Jeff's?" asked Brown.

"Come off; come off. You've both been there before many a time."

"I do not understand your slang and will not take your insults. Where are you taking this woman?"

The only reply the policeman made before he drove off was: "You know."

"He means up to Jefferson Market court," said a by-stander, and Brown started towards the Jefferson Market police station.

Jefferson Market is one of the several public markets of New York City. It is located on Sixth avenue and Eighth street, over which is one of the several police court rooms, the court is named after the market. When Brown got there he was informed by one of the "shyster" lawyers that "the bums and drunks would not be brought down from the Thirtieth street station until 10 o'clock."

"Well, I'll wait," replied Brown.

"Have you got a case?" asked one of those penny lawyers, who mistook our hero for Blank, a well known colored lawyer.

"Yes; I have a case," was the reply, as Brown walked in a near-by cigar store and bought a cigar.

Long before the court opened it was known to every one from the police magistrate of the court down to the sweeper that that ere coon lawyer Blank is goter a case dis morning.

When the doors of the court room were opened Brown was one of the first to enter. He took a seat in a corner. The room was soon filled to an overflow, one half of the people were colored folks, who had come to hear Lawyer Blank "split Dick" and "spit out Blackstone."

Case after case was called and disposed of, until the court visitors concluded that Lawyer Blank was not there. At last the court crier yelled out: "Mary Smith." The officer who arrested Mary Smith, brought her in from the prisoner's pen. With a heavy heart and downcast eyes she stood before the bar of the New York City police justice. (?)

"What's the charge, officer?" asked the magistrate.

"Drunk an' disorderly, sir. She is an old-time street-walker, so she is."

"Ten days on the island or ten dollars. Call the next case," said the learned judge.

"One minute, your honor," exclaimed Brown, as he walked forward in a stately manner, which would have done honor to Joseph Choate, New York's greatest doctor of law. "I want to pay this woman's fine, but under protest. It is a disgrace to the fair name of New York that its policemen cannot distinguish the difference between drunken women of the street and honest, respectable woman—poor though they be, and poorly clad. It is a disgrace, I repeat, that a poor, but respectable woman like Mrs. Smith, after walking the streets of this great city all day trying to get work in order to feed her fatherless children, should be locked up all night with low, degraded people and again disgraced by being brought here. Your honor, New York's police are the finest, they never make mistakes. Here's the ten dollars, your honor."

The judge opened his eyes as he looked at Brown and remarked: "Counselor Blank, the fine is cancelled. Your client is free," and Brown and May Brandus, that was walked out of the court.

At the time Brown made his plea, he did not know but that May had fallen to the degree of a woman of the town; in fact, he so concluded, still she was what was left of May Brandus of the past, so he concluded to do what all lawyers do to save their clients—lie, concluding that it would be one of the few times that a falsehood would not be recorded in heaven.

When they met on the sidewalk before the court May Brandus remarked, with tears of gratitude in her eyes, "Oh, Forrester, I am not the fallen woman I know you think I am; I see it in your eyes. I am a heart-broken, homeless, forsaken wife; worse than a widow I." "Well, May, I'm still your friend; you were mine in the past," broke in Brown. "Here's $20, fix yourself up, then meet me at the Grand Central depot at Forty-second street, when we will decide where you can go to tell me all about the remarkable change which has overtaken you. Meet me at half past three at the Grand Central depot. I must go." "I'll be there. Forrester, and when opportunity presents will I relate to you a romance from real life, my unhappy life,—stranger than fiction."

They parted; one in joy the other in sorrow May's heart was filled with joy. Forrester's with sorrow. She was glad she had met him; he was sorry he had met her—that is under the circumstances for he still believed she had fallen to the degree of a woman of the street He could not help from thinking that their meeting was far more romantic than anything he had ever seen up the stage.

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(To be continued.)

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Editor The Freeman: Your paper for the past twelve months has proven to be the "comfort of home," and has given me thorough satisfaction. It has brought pleasure where there were disappointments, sunshine where there were shadows and gladness where there were sorrows. Yours truly,

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Alexandria, La., Jan. 4, 1898.

Editor Freeman—I find it impossible for me to keep posted about the negro's progress and the vital issues that touch his public life and his weal and woe in general, except I receive and read The Freeman.

I also feel it my duty to give you my support, financial and otherwise, because of the heroic and manly, just and sensible stand that you have taken upon all questions that concern the negro. Your policy has not been vacillating, your principles have at all times been known. You've spoken out in no compromising manner against the injustice and harshness that the race suffers.

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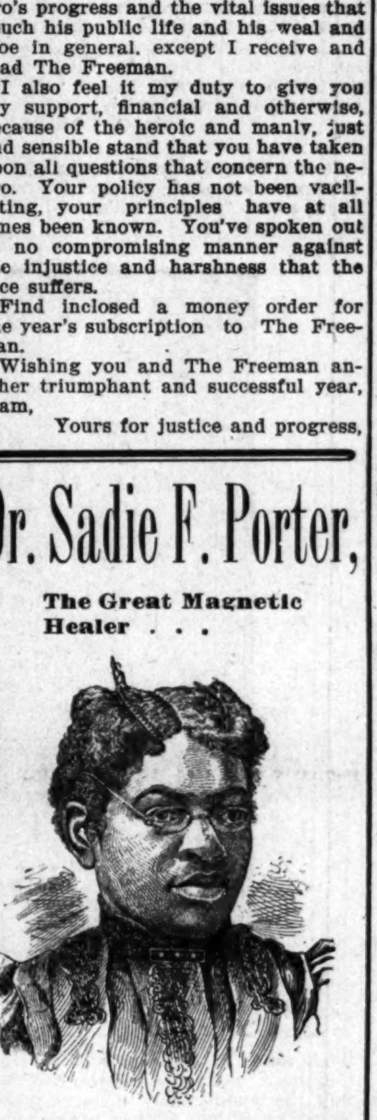

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INTERESTING NEWS.

Gathered by Hustling Correspondents of The Freeman—What They are Doing at the Carlsbad of America.

Hot Springs, Ark., Special:—Miss Mary Gibson is visiting in Malvern.* * Mrs. Cooley and Handy have opened a restaurant on Malvern Ave. * * Miss Annie Godbolt is on the sick list. * * W. H. Harris and H. C. Holmes are improving under the care of Dr. Wade. * * Mr. Hester William, of Gulfa street, is on the sick list. * * If you want the Freeman call on C. S. Holliday, 723 Central Ave., up stairs. * * Rev. Jackson preached Sunday last in the open air. * * The Eastman closes April 10. Park open all year. * * Holliday makes pants from $3.50 up, 723 Central Ave. * W. E. Large will leave soon to study law in Michigan. * * Rev. Lowry, of A. M. E. church, Pittsburg, Pa., leaves for home Monday. * * Mrs. Emma Arnett, returned from her trip to Texas. * * * Waiters are leaving fast. * * "Schorty" the barber has had a back set, but is up again. * * Excursion to Little Rock Wednesday. Quite a number of colored people went. * * Dr. Banks, our colored physician won't be without the Freeman. When sick give him a call.

Chambersburg, Pa., Special:—Mrs Armie Strother whose illness we mentioned in last week's issue died at the residence of her mother, Monday, Mar. 28. * * County Detective Johnston visited Mercesburg on Saturday. * * Geo. Bray has left for Atlantic City, for the summer. * * New Trustees were elected in St. James' M. E. church. * * Geo. and Philip Ranson, of Sunbeam, spent Sunday in our city, the guest of their grandmother, Mrs. Caroline Johnston. * * William Kelly, after traveling for a season with Welsh Bros.'Minstrels has returned home. * * Lida Moore, of Bellefonte, is visiting her grandmother of this city. * * William Napper has purchased a new horse for his dray wagon. * * A bright and interesting son of Mrs. James Cato is deaf. * * Daniel Compton, James Cato and Philip Brown have all signed to play ball with the famous Pomeroy Ball Club, for the summer.

A Budget of Newsy Jottings.

Eufaula, Ala., Special:—Easter will be observed by the pupils of St. Luke A. M. E. church, Sunday. * * Hon. L. C. Gardner spent several days in Birmingham, Ala., last week. * * Mr. T. S. Page, of Dawson, Ga., is in the city, visiting relatives. * * Mr. John Ward, our leading colored merchant is doing a nice grocery business. * * Mr. Peter Goode is on the sick list. * * There will be a grand rally at White Oak Chapel, the third Sunday in April. Rev. L. Steel, pastor. The following ministers will be present: Dr. W. C. Banton, Rev. G. B. West, Rev. G. P. Brown, Rev. E. J. Johnson, Rev. M. D. Thomas and RevF. Steele. * * Services were well attended at the different churches last Sunday. * * Read the Freeman. * * Mrs. Addie Lawson departed this life, March 27. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. G. B. West and Rev. R. T. Pollard. * * Little Relta Jackson brought two new scholars to the A. M. E. Sunday-school last Sunday. * * Prof. N. B. Martin, of Clayton, Ala., spent Monday in this city.

Gleanings.

Tuscumbia, Ala., Special:—Every one is eargerly awaiting the concert to be given by the Jubilee Singers on the 14th. Mr. C. W. Carns and C. W. Carns jr., have been laboring earnestly to make the concert a success. * * Rev. C. O. Booth has been giving a series of lectures in this city which were very instructive. Mr. Booth was criticised very severely however by many members of his faith but he spoke fearlessly and expressed himself freely on each occasion. * * Miss Emma Dawyer, one of our lady teachers, closed her school on the first of April. She says that her first year's experience in teaching has been a pleasant one, and aside from the disorder at the exhibition, her year's work was a complete success. Miss Sawyer represents the best educated class in her community.

Items of Interest.

Chillicothe, Mo., Special:—The Freeman made its appearance here this week and seems to strike the people just right. * * Rev. Sawyers is at home this week. * * Mrs. Lucy Montgomery has returned from Plattsburgh, where she was called by sickness of a relative. * * William Burrell and Miss Maud Rowlan, and Miss Lou Sayles all attended the cake walk at Brookfield Wednesday evening. * * Mr. Dan Washington and lady, champion cake-walkers of the State were here from St. Louis and gave an exhibition of the now raging fad. * * The party at Mr. and Mrs. George Wolfskill's Monday evening was an enjoyable affair, and after several games of high five and whist, they tripped the light fantastic toe afterwards.

Jottings.

Winchester, Tenn., Special.—Farmers are busy preparing to plant corn. * * Public school will close on the 22d. H. Singleton of Illinois was called home to the bed-side of his mother, who is very sick. * * The household of Ruth will give an entertainment April 9. * * All our churches are preparing for Easter Sunday. * * The Freeman should be read by every one that is interested in the progress of the Negro race. * * We are glad to note that the store of A. H. Eldridge is so well patronized by our people. * * Subscribe for the Freeman at A. H. Eldridge's store.

Notes.

Xenia, O., Special.—Mrs. Taylor, mother of Mrs. Dr. H. R. Hawkins, continues very ill. * * Rev. Mrs. Mack Allen is still on the sick list. * * Mrs. Cyrus Underwood was in the city last week. * * Mr. Jordan Robb has bought the lot next to the A. M. E. parsonage and is preparing to build. * * All of the churches are preparing for Easter.* * Subscribe for the Freeman. * * Mrs. Rhoda Brown, who has been on the sick list for some time, is able to be out again. * * Miss Emma Butler has returned home from Dayton. * * The concert given by the Little Tots was quite a surprise.

Interesting Notes.

Wartrace, Tenn., Special.—Mrs. Nannie Bright was buried recently. * * Mrs. Bettie Davidson has moved. * * Miss Zoo Corns is on the sick list. * * We are all glad to see Mrs. Mary Flax out again. * * Rev. Marshbanks preached at the Baptist church Sunday night. * * The lady on High-st. did not marry—he never came. * * Laura Jones is better. She will be seen every day at her post. * * The new building for those who violate the corporations laws of Wartrace is nearly finished. * * Mr. Richard Osborn is making some improvements on his place. * * Mrs. Millie Smith was well fooled April 1. * * Easter Sunday in Wartrace will be observed with imposing ceremonies.

Interesting Notes.

Mt. Vernon, Ill., Special:—Albert Moor and Joe Grundy, of Allen, Ill., were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Edwards last week. * * Mr. Will Caliway is in Centralia, on an extensive business trip. * * Mrs. Jane Kelly returned to Mt. Vernon, Ind., where she will make her future home. * * Chas. Standard has removed to Prairie ave. * * Mrs. Richard Gillis' condition is very critical. * * Walter Edmunston received and entertained a few of his friends Friday evening, it being his birthday. * * Miss Nannie Stewart and Joseph Picket, of Alton, Ill., passed through here Tuesday, en route to Carmi. While here they the guest of Mrs. James Green, of Grand Ave. * * Wm. Jones was in Centralia, Saturday and Sunday. * * Mr. and Mrs. Robert Beachamp, of Hopkinsville, Ky., arrived here Tuesday, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Beachamp, of Jefferson. Mr. and Mrs. Beachamp will probably make Mt. Vernon their future home. * * William Shaw, Lewis Allen and Reid McKinney passed through here Saturday en route from Chester to Carmi. * * Rev. R. R. Howard will hold his second quarterly meeting here next Sunday. Preaching both morning and evening by Rev. J. W. Owsley, P. E. Sunday-school at 2:00 p. m. The public are cordially invited to attend these services. * * Preaching at the Baptist church next Sunday both morning and evening, by Rev. C. C. Philips, of Golconda, Ill. The public cordially invited. * * The Frederick Douglass Literary Society, under the management of the teachers of the public schools, will give an Easter concert and Tom Thumb wedding at the C. M. E. church, Saturday evening. You are invited. Admission 10c.

Notice.

Houston, Tex., Special.—The colored people are willing to fight in defense of their country in case of war with Spain. But they do not fail to notice the murder of Postmaster Baker, the separate coach law, and the late Lousiana constitutional convention. The writer calls the reader's attention to an advertisement in another colmun asking for lost relatives. The advertisement relates especially to States, viz: Texas and Virginia, she thinks some may be in Georgia. She wishes the pulpit and the school teachers to help her find them.

E. C. BRANCH, Writer,
1018 Buckner-st.

Rison, Ark., March 28th., '98.—Hon. Geo. L. Knox, Indianapolis, Ind. Dear Sir:—Inclosed, please find one dollar for which please send me The Freeman your valuable paper. Having read it for about five years, often and on, it seems I can't do without it.

Please send it to the above named place, instead of Kidron. Yours for success and for the race, Wm. R. Townsend, Rison, Ark.

The Tuskegee Normal and Industrial Institute, of which Booker T. Washington is the principal, was visited by Dr. W. S. Rainsford, pastor of St. George's Episcopal church, New York, Wednesday, March 23, upon which occasion was dedicated a handsome $30,000 chapel recently donated by Northern friends of the institution.

The South furnishes no electoral votes for the Republican party yet it is a fortunate thing for a colored man with political aspirations to live in the South. The appointment of Hon. J. W. Lyons to succeed B. K. Bruce emphasizes the fact that the largest and juciest pieces of pie so far given to us have gone to states South of the Mason and Dixon line. Nothing can be said against the capability of Mr. Lyons but the people who got out and worked to secure electoral votes are growing impatient at the delayed recognition which they have so long expected.—The Pregress, Omaha, Neb.

VIRTUES OF HOT WATER.

Many Are the Aches and Pains It Will Relieve.

Not a phrase conveying an impression of entire felicity, yet it may be found that water, hot, has manifold uses and is peculiarly able in certain places to afford comfort and relief. A physician who has tried it says that no agent so quickly relieves nausea and vomiting as water, hot as it can be taken. For constipation drink of hot water a short time before retiring at night. Dyspeptics are benefited by sipping a cup of hot water an hour before eating. The same practice tends to flesh production, and is one of the rules given sometimes in prescriptions for the cure of lameness.

As water is so considerable an element in the physical structure, it is in some sense a food, though—knowing, too, that without it life cannot be supported—it is not usually regarded in that manner, and the knowledge that a weak stomach will retain hot water when it will nothing else may be oftentimes of value.

Let those who are inclined to sneer at "only hot water" try a cup of it, fresh water, quickly heated and brought to a boil, used with cream and sugar as for coffee. If coffee, as many believe, encourages dyspepsia, and tea renders its consumers subject to headaches, while a cold fluid with warm fluid is not hygienic, it answers to reason that if any drink must be used at meals, the one we are considering (or else hot milk), having none of their objectionable qualities, is preferable.

To ward off the cold threatened by a chilly sensation, drink a cup. To loosen a tight cough, sip water as hot as it can be borne. A hot compress, with a dry flannel over it, persistently applied to the throat and chest will cure a stubborn cough, a sore throat and cut short in its incipiency congestion of the lungs.

To dip a cloth in hot water and lay it quickly over the seat of pain is sometimes a relief in neuralgia. The same application on the stomach will banish colic. In croup place about the neck a flannel wrung out of hot water. For sprains hot fomentations are excellent. In such cases care should be taken that the clothing is protected from dampness by the intervention of a dry cloth, and in all the uses for it thus far given it must be kept in mind that the water is to be really hot.

In spasms place the afflicted child as quickly as possible in a hot bath—that is, one heated as much as comfort will allow. The convulsed frame will be relaxed and soothed by its contact with the warm water. A hot bath after exposure will do much to prevent the taking of an infectious disease. An occasional full hot bath upon retiring is of great benefit in inducing sleep. Even a footbath will be found a help as a means to the same.

When a person is tired and heated, bathing the face with warm water will prove more comfortable as well as less dangerous than the use of cold. Weak eyes are made stronger by bathing them regularly in water as hot as can be borne. If they are tired, such bathing, to which is sometimes added a little salt, will wonderfully rest them.

For a fine complexion and velvety skin never use cold, but warm water in washing the face. It may be first washed with soap and hot water, then rinsed with tepid water. To bathe the face daily in hot water will, it is said, remove pimples. And the appearance of wrinkles may be greatly delayed, it is believed, by the use of the hot bath.—St. Louis Republic.

Mistook the Mule.

Deacon Jackson was a very pious but very determined old colored citizen of Owl Creek valley. He had a young mule which his boys were unable to ride, and their failure to break the animal so exasperated the old man that he determined to ride it himself. He was, however, no sooner located on its back than he was thrown into an adjoining lot, where he was picked up with both legs broken and his neck badly sprained.

"What on earth did such an old man as you mean by trying to ride a wild young mule like that?" asked the doctor.

"Waal, suh," said Deacon Jackson, "I never does undertake to do nuthin widout fust consultin ov de Lawd an seein whut he dun thunk erbout hit. I axed him ef I orter ride dat mule what my triflin no ercount boys couldn't ride, an de Lawd he sed, 'Yessah,' jes' ez plain ez I am talkin to you."

"Well, but he seems to have given you bad advice."

"No, doctor, his judgment was all right, fer de Lawd knows dis ole nigger never seed de day when he was afeered to straddle anything from a circular saw up to er elephant, but dis time I think de Lawd was jes' mistooken in de mule."—Altanta Journal.

Old Ab Drake.

Old Ab Drake was one of the "odd sticks" that flourished in a Vermont rural neighborhood a good many years ago. His wife was a meek, obedient, spiritless woman, over whom Ab tyrannized for 50 years, when she quietly slipped out of this world. Old Ab's panegyrics on his dead wife's virtues were loud and long. Before the funeral he said to one of his neighbors: "She was the best woman on the top of this earth. I jess thought the world and all of her—yes, I did! I always thought it, and hanged if there wan't times when I come mighty near telling her so—yes, sir! And I would 'a' told her so, only I've always held, and I still hold, that it ain't safe to praise anything that w'ars petticoats. 'Ceptin for that, I would 'a' told 'Lizy Ellen what I thought of her many a time—yes, I would!"—Boston Journal.

Famous Three R's.

The originator of the famous three "r" alliteration "reading, 'riting and 'rithmetic" was Sir William Curtis, a lord mayor of London. In 1795 he proposed it as a toast before the board of education.

The Freeman Praised.

Editor The Freeman:—Accept my thanks and the thanks of every department of central Tennessee College and its many friends for the splendid issue of the Central Tennessee College. It was the best show up our school has ever had. Every cut showed up most satisfactorily. I should always be ready, willing and most anxious to help the Freeman. It is a true race newspaper loyal to the core and patriotic in all of its utterances. It should be in every home to inspire and strengthen the hopes of our people. God bless you and increase the circulation of your valuable paper. Most sincerely

R. F. Boyd, Nashville, Tenn.

Editor The Freeman:—One of the most appreciated gifts I received this year was the year's subscription of The Freeman, by my son Harry L. Gillam of the "Wrights Nashville Students' Co." and with joy and pleasure it is watched for, received and read with delight. I being an invalid in health, you well may know it is greeted with joy and happiness. The account of the Tuskegee, Ala., conference was read with interest, and left a wish in my heart that I could have been able in health to have been there. With kind wishes also in my heart for the prosperity of the finest Negro journal ever read, The Freeman, I remain yours truly,

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IN AND ABOUT THE CITY.

Mr. George Hill is assiting in takeing the school enumeration.

Margarett Tate, the baby elocutionist, Allen Chapel, April 27th.

Mrs. L. B. Butts has closed revival meetings at Jones' Tabernacle.

Mrs. Thurman, the noted evangelist, will lecture at Jones' Tabernacle tomorrow evening.

Mrs. Charles . Stewart, of 1030 Fayette st., who has been seriously ill for several weeks is convalescing.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Richardson have taken permanent residence in W. St. Clair st., near Fayette st.

Rev. J. W. Carter will preach a sermon to Dorcas Circle at Jones' Tabernacle to-morrow afternoon.

Easter services were very appropriately observed by all the churches last Sunday. Special Song services were rendered.

The Fourth Annual Musical Festival will be given June 22nd and 23rd, at Allen Chapel church. 100 voices. Singers from abroad.

Mr. Robert Hatch, formerly of Cincinnati, has opened a fine tonsonial parlor in the Smother's block, where he will be pleased to meet his many friends.

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Mrs. Eliza Goff, an old and respected citizen, living in N. West-st., died at her residence last Wednesday morning. Her funeral occurred from Bethel A. M. E. church last Thursday afternoon.

Special Easter services were held at Sipson Chapel Sunday. The church was beautifully decorated and large crowds were in attendance at the song service held at night.

The two year old child of Mr. and Mrs. Grant Coley, of 1026 Canal St., fell into a tub of boiling water last Monday afternoon, from which it died later.

The funeral of Michael Edwards occurred from Bethel church last Saturday afternoon. He was a steward of the church and a member of the G. A. R. The funeral obsequies were largely attended.

The Favorite confectionary and ice cream parlor in Odd Fellows' Hall, opened by Messrs. Wm. Reed and Grant Robinson had an auspicions opening last Tuesday evening. Panden Bros.' orchestra furnished the music for the occasion.

The Easter ball given by Prof. James Sterrett Monday night at the hall in New York st., was a decided success. The hall was crowded to its utmost capacity and everyone kept their "razors on their inside pockets," and enjoyed themselves. The professor has several imitators but we have yet to see his equal. Several new dances were introduced, among those was the "Redowa Glassade," which is a special creation of the professor's, and will be given a grand introduction at the Herculean ball on the 21st. The "Dragoons" were out to a man.

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Personal and Society.

Miss Bessie Moker is on the sick list.

Mr. Charles Jordan is in Chicago this week.

Rev. Johnson, of Greencastle, was in the city this week.

Mr. Aaron Scott, of Chicago visited his wife last Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Hart and daughter, Myrtle spent Easter in Chicago.

Hear the baby elocutionist at Allen Chapel, April 27. Admission, 15 cents.

Messrs. Harry Bass and Murray Hill, of Connersville, spent Easter in the city.

Mrs. Nelson Coldwell, of 723 Fayette st., was caled to Louisville last Saturday to attend the funeral of her neice.

Miss Ada Hill and brother, Marcus, of Connersville are visiting relatives in the city.

Prof. R. A. Roberts and Mr. J. A. Smith of Shelbyville spent Sunday in the city.

Miss Nannie Riffe, of 1104 Fayette street is seriously ill and her recovery is doubtful.

Rev. D. A. Graham will go on a lecturing tour through the southern part of the State next week.

Mrs. Lucretia Knox, of Shelbyville, Ky., is in the city the guest of her husband Mr. Elwood C. Knox.

Mrs. B. K. Bruce, widow of the late Blanche K. Bruce, of Washington, D. C., is visiting relatives in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Billy McClain, with "Darkest America," were called East on business. They were in the city Monday.

Mrs. Edwards and children, of Senate-ave., north, desire to thank their many friends for the kindness shown them during the brief illness of their husband and father. And also to express their gratitude to his late employer, Mr. F. M. Bachman, for kindness shown.

The Sisters of Charity will have their annual sermon preached at 2:30 p. m., April 24, at Jones' Tabernacle, A. M. E. Zion church.

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ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Sunday at 10:45 a. m.—Madam F. M. Thurman, of Jackson, Mich., will address the audience.

7:45 p. m.—Graduation exercises of "The Normal Class," Prof. W. S. Scarborough, A. M., L. L. D., will deliver the address of the evening. Every one should hear him.

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Elder Murray was in Greensburg Tuesday.

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POLITICAL POT POURRI

WILLIAM E. SHILLING.

Mr. William E. Shilling, who has been the recorder of Marion county for the past four years, will seek a renomination before the Republican county convention next Saturday. Mr. Shilling was a soldier, and has conducted the business of the office with credit to himself, his party and to the people. Mr. Shilling has always recognized the colored vote in the dispensation of his office and has given employment to a colored man as clerk, and for over two years gave employment to two colored clerks, a precedent never before or since recognized in Marion county politics. The Negro to succeed must do so by recognizing and supporting his friends, and if the colored delegate to the convention grasp this fact they will not hesitate to renomnate Mr. Shilling.

HARRY B. SMITH.

Mr. Harry B. Smith, the genial and affable county auditor, will contest before the republican county convention today for renomination to that office. Mr. Smith will not ask for renomination solely upon the ground of his being the good, loyal and staunch Republican that he is, but will make it upon the fact that since he has been auditor the business of the office has been conducted in a thorough, business-like manner and that he has never yet failed to devote his entire time to the interest of the tax-payers and the people at large. Such a record no one can doubt, and it is this record that Mr. Smith points to with pride. The colored voters of Marion county have another reason to seek his renomination from the fact that he is the first county auditor to give permanent employment to a colored clerk, thereby recognizing the Negro vote in this county. Mr. William H. Jackson, the colored clerk in the office, is holding a very responsible position as well as a lucrative one. All clerks in the office are treated alike, no discrimination being shown whatever. Mr. Smith has always been a friend of the Negro, and one great point that will ultimately lead to our success is that we must be able to recognize our friends and stick to them. Much has ben said about Mr. Smith in military circles, where he is known as Col. Harry B. Smith. Capt. James B. Porter says he was never mistreated by Col. Smith, but on the other hand that no superior officer in the Indiana National Guard gave him better treatment and consideration or was more instrumental in seeing that his rights were accorded him, that was Col. Harry B. Smith. Notwithstanding reports to the contrary and Capt. Porter is in a position to know. We feel that the colored voters of Marion county should rally to the support of Mr. Smith and we believe they will.

Mr. Thomas Pratt is energetically hustling for Republican success next fall.

Messrs. Harry B. Smith and John W. Browning are the two contestants for the County Auditorship.

Mr. Al Taffe, for quite a number of years a turnkey at the city prison, is making the race for County Recorder.

"Man's inhumanity to man" was very forcibly portrayed in Barrister Blair's explanation last week. We stand ready to "doff" our hat and bend upon our unworthy knees to the young lawyer, if it can be proven to us that it becomes a "humane" question or the topic for discussion in the meetings of Humane societies when a young man, whether black or otherwise, is defeated in his political aspirations. As we have said before, we believe that it would be bad policy to consider colored men for recognition before Republican conventions, if by their defeat they "bolt" the ticket because they are not the "whole thing." In the language of the young Blackstone, we also reserve the right to "demur." But all is well that ends well."

The fight for the nomination of sheriff is waxing warm, and Mr. Wm. L. Essman the genial South Side candidate seems to be getting the consideration that is justly due him and which he well merits. He certainly seems to be gaining in strength and from indications will undoubtedly be the choice of the convention. As we have said before and which we now wish to impress upon our readers that Mr. Essman has been a life long and tried friend to the Negro and this friendship antedates his aspirations for political honors. His friends are legion and his nomination would give strength and tone to the Republican nominating convention and assure success to the ticket.

When Dr. A. W. Brayton assumed charge of the coroner's office Nov. 15, 1896, it was predicted that he would fill the office with dignity and would make a record unexcelled by any of his predecessors. The record has been made and the office has been conducted on a basis that is satisfactory to all the people, and also to Dr. Brayton himself. During the year he has been called to investigate 325 violent or sudden deaths. There were nine last November, twenty-eight in December, twenty-three each in January, February and March, twenty in April, thirty-two in May, thirty-eight in June, thirty-seven in July, twenty-nine in August, twenty-four in September, thirty-two in October, and seven in the present month.

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Of the dead 229 were males and ninty-six females. By race forty-one were Negroes, ten Irish, eleven Germans, one Spanish, one Welsh, one Pole, one Swiss, two Jews, and the rest Algo-Saxon descent, or classed as "Americans." About twenty were veterans and pensioners of the late war.

Coroner Brayton estimates the total cost of the office for the year, on account of salaries, constable, autopsies, witness fees paid and incidentals at $7,200.

The office is now in the court house, room 81, where the records of each of the 325 cases are open for use and inspection.

Dr. Brayton will be a candidate for renomination next Saturday, and he will receive it with "hands down."

Mr. John W. Browning, the popular Monon conductor, who has twice before sought the nomination of Auditor upon the Republican ticket, has at last succumbed to the entreaties of his many friends and will allow his name to go before the Republican nominating convention next Saturday for county auditor. Mr. Browning will go before the convention as the especial candidate of the railroad men, who believe they are worthy of recognition from points of being large in numbers and their integrity in the principles of the party. Mr. Browning has a host of friends and from the "hustle" they are making, it is believed that the race for auditor will be an interesting one.

"HARDSTEW."

Notes.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special:—Clarence Stoner died April 1st at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Hill, 40 S. Ford St. Mr. Stoner came to this city from Providence, Tenn., in 87. Funeral services were conducted by Revs. Wimberly and Scott at the Mt. Olive Baptist Church. * * W. H. Stoner, of Herndon, and Miss Maggie Taylor, of Nashville, Tenn., were in the city last week. * * G. W. Hill will visit Hopkinsville, Ky., in the near future. * * Miss Lucy C. Herron, of Nashville, will visit the Queen city on the 18th. * * James Moore and Miss Johnson, of Neemore, Tenn., were in the city last week. * * Mr. Daniel, of 5th st. died last week. * * R. E. Hill has returned from Herndon, Ky.

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